

Department of Planning and Budget
2003 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB2756

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron Phillips

3. Committee Commerce and Labor

4. Title Towns may provide certain telecommunications services.

5. Summary/Purpose: Provides that a town may provide and operate telecommunication and related services, including cable television, Internet, and such other services as the town shall determine are necessary or expedient to its citizens and may acquire, own, and operate all properties necessary and expedient to the provision of such services. Towns may establish, impose, and enforce rates and charges for such services that are operated, rendered, or furnished by the town.

6. No Fiscal Impact: (See Note 8.)

7. Budget amendment necessary: No.

8. Fiscal implications: If approved, the localities would also enjoy the option of using state contracts to deliver its services, which could result in some cost savings.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Towns.

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: None.

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