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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

A bill for an act

relating to broadband; appropriating money for broadband service mapping.

EIGHTY-EIGHTH SESSION

H. F. No.

2736

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Labor, Workplace and Regulated Industries
03/13/2014 Adoption of Report: Re-referred to the Committee on Jobs and Economic Development Finance and Policy

1.3	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
1.4	Section 1. BROADBAND SERVICE MAPPING; APPROPRIATION.
1.5	\$450,000 is appropriated in fiscal year 2015 from the general fund to the
1.6	commissioner of employment and economic development for the purpose of funding one
1.7	or more contracts with an independent organization to continue to:
1.8	(1) collect broadband deployment data from Minnesota providers, verify its accuracy
1.9	through on-the-ground testing, and create state and county maps available to the public
1.10	showing the availability of broadband service at various upload and download speeds
1.11	throughout Minnesota, in order to measure progress in achieving the state's broadband
1.12	goals established in Minnesota Statutes, section 237.012;
1.13	(2) analyze the deployment data collected to help inform future investments in
1.14	broadband infrastructure; and
1.15	(3) conduct business and residential surveys that measure broadband adoption and
1.16	use in the state.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

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Section 1.