## AMENDMENTS TO LB389

Introduced by Transportation and Telecommunications.

1. Strike the original sections and insert the following new 1

- sections: 2
- Section 1. Sections 1 to 39 of this act shall be known and may be 3
- cited as the Small Wireless Facilities Deployment Act. 4
- 5 Sec. 2. The Legislature finds and declares that:
- (1) The deployment of small wireless facilities and other next-6
- 7 generation wireless facilities is a matter of statewide concern and
- 8 interest;
- (2) Wireless products and services are a significant and continually 9
- growing part of the state's economy. Encouraging the development of 10
- strong and robust wireless communications networks throughout the state 11
- is integral to the state's economic competitiveness; 12
- 13 (3) Rapid deployment of small wireless facilities will serve
- numerous important statewide goals including meeting growing consumer 14
- demand for wireless data, increasing competitive options for 15
- communications services available to the state's residents, improving the 16
- ability of the state's residents to communicate with other residents and 17
- with their state and local governments; and promoting public safety; 18
- (4) Small wireless facilities, including facilities commonly 19
- 20 referred to as small cells and distributed antenna systems, are deployed
- 21 most effectively in public rights-of-way;
- (5) To meet the key objectives of the Small Wireless Facilities 22
- Deployment Act, wireless providers must have access to the public rights-23
- of-way to densify their networks and provide next generation wireless 24
- 25 services; and
- (6) Uniform procedures, rates, and fees for the permitting and 26
- 27 deployment of small wireless facilities in public rights-of-way and on

- authority infrastructure, including poles, throughout the state are 1
- 2 reasonable and will encourage the development of robust next-generation
- 3 wireless networks for the benefit of residents throughout the state; and
- (7) The procedures, rates, and fees in the Small Wireless Facilities 4
- <u>Deployment Act are fair and reasonable when viewed from the perspective</u> 5
- of the state's residents and the state's interest in having robust, 6
- 7 reliable, and technologically advanced wireless networks, and reflect a
- 8 balancing of the interests of the wireless providers deploying new
- 9 facilities and the interests of authorities in receiving fair value by
- 10 recovering their costs of managing access to the public rights-of-way and
- 11 the attachment space provided on authority infrastructure.
- For purposes of the Small Wireless Facilities Deployment 12 Sec. 3.
- 13 Act, the definitions in sections 4 to 30 of this act apply.
- 14 Sec. 4. Antenna means communications equipment that transmits or
- 15 receives electromagnetic radio frequency signals used in the provision of
- 16 wireless services.
- 17 Applicable codes means uniform building, fire, electrical, Sec. 5.
- plumbing, or mechanical codes adopted by a recognized national code 18
- 19 organization or local amendments to those codes enacted solely to address
- imminent threats of destruction of property or injury to persons to the 20
- 21 extent not inconsistent with the Small Wireless Facilities Deployment
- 22 Act.
- 23 Applicant means any person who submits an application and
- <u>is a wireless provider.</u> 24
- 25 Sec. 7. Application means a request submitted by an applicant to an
- 26 authority (1) for a permit to collocate small wireless facilities or (2)
- 27 to approve the installation, modification, or replacement of a utility
- 28 pole or wireless support structure.
- 29 Authority means the State of Nebraska or any agency, Sec. 8.
- 30 county, city, village, or other political subdivision thereof, including,
- 31 but not limited to, public power districts, public power and irrigation

- districts, and municipal electric utilities. The term does not include 1
- 2 state courts having jurisdiction over an authority.
- 3 Authority pole means a utility pole owned, managed, or
- 4 operated by or on behalf of an authority.
- 5 <u>Authority wireless support structure means a wireless</u> Sec. 10.
- support structure owned, managed, or operated by or on behalf of an 6
- 7 authority.
- 8 Sec. 11. Collocate or collocation means to install, mount,
- 9 maintain, modify, operate, or replace wireless facilities on or adjacent
- 10 to a wireless support structure or utility pole.
- Communications service provider means a cable operator as 11 Sec. 12.
- defined in 47 U.S.C. 522(5), a provider of information service as defined 12
- 13 in 47 U.S.C. 153(24), or a telecommunications carrier as defined in 47
- 14 U.S.C. 153(51), as such sections existed on January 1, 2018. The term
- 15 also includes a wireless provider.
- Decorative pole means an authority pole that is specially 16
- 17 designed and placed for aesthetic purposes and on which no appurtenances
- or attachments other than a small wireless facility, specially designed 18
- 19 informational or directional signage, or temporary holiday or special
- 20 event attachments have been placed or are permitted to be placed
- 21 according to nondiscriminatory municipal rules or codes.
- 22 Fee means a one-time, nonrecurring charge.
- 23 Sec. 15. Historic district means a group of buildings, properties,
- or sites that are either listed in the National Register of Historic 24
- 25 Places or formally determined eligible for listing by the Keeper of the
- 26 National Register, in accordance with the Nationwide Programmatic
- 27 Agreement codified at 47 C.F.R. part 1, Appendix C, as such regulation
- 28 existed on January 1, 2018.
- 29 Law means federal, state, or local law, statute, common Sec. 16.
- 30 law, code, rule, regulation, order, or ordinance.
- 31 Sec. 17. Micro-wireless facility means a small wireless facility

- 1 that (1) is not larger in dimension than twenty-four inches in length,
- 2 fifteen inches in width, and twelve inches in height, and (2) any
- 3 exterior antenna is no longer than eleven inches.
- 4 Permit means a written authorization required by an
- 5 authority to perform an action or initiate, continue, or complete a
- 6 project.
- 7 Person means an individual, corporation, limited liability
- 8 company, partnership, association, trust, or other entity or
- 9 organization, including an authority.
- 10 Rate means a recurring charge.
- Rights-of-way means the area on, below, or above a public 11 Sec. 21.
- roadway, highway, street, sidewalk, alley, utility easement, or similar 12
- 13 property, but not including a federal interstate highway.
- 14 Sec. 22. Small wireless facility means a wireless facility that
- 15 meets both of the following qualifications: (1) Each wireless provider's
- 16 antenna could fit within an enclosure of no more than six cubic feet in
- 17 volume and (2) all other wireless equipment associated with the wireless
- facility, whether ground-mounted or pole-mounted, is cumulatively no more 18
- 19 than twenty-eight cubic feet in volume. The following types of associated
- ancillary equipment are not included in the calculation of equipment 20
- 21 volume: Electric meters, concealment elements, telecommunications
- 22 demarcation boxes, grounding equipment, power transfer switches, cut-off
- 23 switches, and vertical cable runs for the connection of power and other
- 24 services.
- 25 Technically feasible means that by virtue of engineering
- 26 or spectrum usage, the proposed placement for a small wireless facility,
- 27 or its design or site location, can be implemented without a reduction in
- 28 the functionality of the small wireless facility.
- 29 Utility pole means a pole or similar structure that is or Sec. 24.
- 30 may be used, in whole or in part, by or for wireline communications,
- 31 lighting, traffic control, signage, or a similar function, or for the

- collocation of small wireless facilities, except that such term shall not 1
- 2 include wireless support structures or any distribution, transmission, or
- 3 communications infrastructure owned by a supplier of electricity and
- 4 located in a rural area as defined in section 70-802.
- 5 Sec. 25. (1) Wireless facility means equipment at a fixed location
- that enables wireless communications between user equipment and a 6
- 7 communications network, including (a) equipment associated with wireless
- 8 communications and (b) radio transceivers, antennas, coaxial or fiber-
- 9 optic cable, regular and backup power supplies, and comparable equipment,
- regardless of technological configuration. The term includes small 10
- 11 wireless facilities.
- (2) Wireless facility does not include (a) the structure or 12
- 13 improvements on, under, or within which the equipment is collocated or
- 14 (b) coaxial or fiber-optic cable that is between wireless structures or
- 15 utility poles or that is otherwise not immediately adjacent to, or
- directly associated with, a particular antenna. 16
- 17 26. Wireless infrastructure provider means any person,
- including a person authorized to provide telecommunications service in 18
- 19 the State of Nebraska, that builds or installs wireless communication
- 20 transmission equipment, wireless facilities, or wireless support
- 21 structures, but that is not a wireless services provider.
- 22 Sec. 27. Wireless provider means a wireless infrastructure provider
- 23 or a wireless services provider.
- Sec. 28. Wireless services means any services, whether mobile or at 24
- 25 a fixed location, provided to the public using wireless facilities.
- 26 Sec. 29. <u>Wireless services provider means a person who provides</u>
- wireless services. 27
- 28 Wireless support structure means a structure such as a
- 29 guyed or self-supporting tower, billboard, building, or other existing or
- 30 proposed structure designed to support or capable of supporting wireless
- 31 facilities other than a structure designed solely for the collocation of

- small wireless facilities. Such term shall not include a utility pole. 1
- 2 Sec. 31. (1) This section applies only to activities of a wireless
- 3 provider within the right-of-way to deploy small wireless facilities and
- 4 associated utility poles.
- 5 (2) An authority may not enter into an exclusive arrangement with
- any person for use of the right-of-way for the collocation of small 6
- 7 wireless facilities or the installation, operation, marketing,
- <u>modification</u>, <u>maintenance</u>, <u>or replacement of</u> utility poles. 8
- 9 (3) An authority may only charge a wireless provider the rate or fee
- provided in section 35 of this act for the use of the right-of-way with 10
- 11 respect to the collocation of small wireless facilities or the
- installation, maintenance, modification, operation, or replacement of a 12
- utility pole in the right-of-way, if the authority charges other entities 13
- 14 for use of the right-of-way. An authority is permitted, on a
- 15 nondiscriminatory basis, to refrain from charging any rate to a wireless
- 16 provider for the use of the right-of-way.
- 17 (4) Except as provided in this section, a wireless provider shall
- have the right, as a permitted use not subject to zoning review or 18
- 19 approval, to collocate small wireless facilities and install, maintain,
- 20 modify, operate, and replace utility poles along, across, upon, and under
- 21 the right-of-way. Such structures and facilities shall be so installed
- 22 and maintained as not to obstruct or hinder the usual travel or public
- 23 safety on such right-of-way or obstruct the legal use of such right-of-
- 24 way by utilities.
- 25 (5) Each new or modified utility pole installed in the right-of-way
- 26 shall not exceed the greater of ten feet in height above the tallest
- 27 existing utility pole in place as of the effective date of this act
- located within five hundred feet of the new pole in the same right-of-way 28
- 29 or fifty feet above ground level. New small wireless facilities in the
- 30 right-of-way may not extend more than ten feet above an existing utility
- 31 pole in place as of the effective date of this act or for small wireless

facilities on a new utility pole, above the height permitted for a new 1

- 2 utility pole under this subsection. A wireless provider shall have the
- 3 right to collocate a small wireless facility and install, maintain,
- modify, operate, and replace a utility pole that exceeds these height 4
- 5 limits along, across, upon, and under the right-of-way, subject to this
- section and applicable zoning regulations. 6
- 7 (6) A wireless provider shall be permitted to replace a decorative
- pole when necessary to collocate a small wireless facility, except that 8
- 9 any replacement pole shall reasonably conform to the design aesthetics of
- 10 the decorative pole being replaced.
- 11 (7) Except as provided in subsection (4) of section 32 of this act,
- 12 and except for facilities excluded from evaluation for effects on
- 13 historic properties under 47 C.F.R. section 1.1307(a)(4), as such section
- 14 existed on January 1, 2018, an authority may require reasonable,
- 15 technically feasible, nondiscriminatory, and technologically neutral
- 16 design or concealment measures in a historic district. Any such design or
- 17 concealment measures shall not have the effect of prohibiting any
- provider's technology or be considered a part of the small wireless 18
- 19 facility for purposes of the size restrictions of a small wireless
- 20 facility.
- 21 (8) The authority must be competitively neutral in its
- 22 administration and regulation related to the management of the right-of-
- 23 way with regard to other users of the right-of-way, including that terms
- 24 of use are reasonable, nodiscriminatory, and compliant with applicable
- 25 law.
- 26 (9) The authority may require a wireless provider to repair all
- 27 damage to the right-of-way directly caused by the activities of the
- wireless provider in the right-of-way and to return the right-of-way to 28
- 29 its functional equivalence before the damage pursuant to the
- 30 competitively neutral and reasonable requirements and specifications of
- 31 the authority. If the wireless provider fails to make the repairs

- required by the authority within a reasonable time after written notice, 1
- 2 the authority may effect those repairs and charge the applicable party
- the reasonable, documented cost of such repairs. 3
- (1) This section applies to the permitting of small 4
- wireless facilities in or outside the right-of-way as specified in 5
- subsection (3) of this section and to the permitting of the installation, 6
- 7 modification, and replacement of utility poles by a wireless provider
- 8 <u>inside the right-of-way.</u>
- 9 (2) Except as provided in the Small Wireless Facilities Deployment
- Act, an authority may not prohibit, regulate, or charge for the 10
- 11 collocation of small wireless facilities.
- (3) Small wireless facilities shall be classified as permitted uses 12
- and not subject to zoning review or approval if they are collocated in 13
- 14 the right-of-way in any zone or outside the right-of-way in property not
- 15 zoned exclusively for single family residential use. Small wireless
- 16 facilities to be located in an airport hazard area as defined by section
- 3-301 shall comply with any regulations governing such areas. 17
- (4) An authority may require an applicant to obtain one or more 18
- 19 permits to collocate a small wireless facility or install a new,
- 20 modified, or replacement utility pole associated with a small wireless
- 21 facility as provided in section 31 of this act. Such permits shall be of
- 22 general applicability and not apply exclusively to wireless facilities.
- 23 An authority shall receive applications for, process, and issue such
- 24 permits subject to the following requirements:
- 25 (a) An authority shall not directly or indirectly require an
- 26 applicant to perform services or provide goods unrelated to the permit,
- 27 such as in-kind contributions to the authority including reserving fiber,
- 28 conduit, or pole space for the authority;
- 29 (b) An applicant shall not be required to provide more information
- 30 to obtain a permit than communications service providers that are not
- 31 wireless providers, except that an applicant may be required to include

1 construction and engineering drawings and information demonstrating

- compliance with the criteria in subdivision (h) of this subsection; 2
- 3 (c) An authority may propose a technically feasible alternate
- utility pole location but may not require the placement of small wireless 4
- 5 facilities on any specific utility pole or category of poles or require
- 6 multiple antenna systems on a single utility pole;
- 7 (d) An authority may not limit the placement of small wireless
- 8 facilities by minimum separation distances;
- 9 (e) An authority may require an applicant to include an attestation
- that the small wireless facilities will be operational for use by a 10
- wireless services provider within one year after the permit issuance 11
- 12 date, unless the authority and the applicant agree to extend this period
- 13 or a delay is caused by lack of commercial power or communications
- 14 transport facilities to the site;
- 15 (f) Within ten days after receiving an application, an authority
- must determine and notify the applicant in writing whether the 16
- 17 application is complete. If an application is incomplete, the authority
- 18 must specifically identify the missing information in writing. The
- 19 processing deadline in subdivision (g) of this subsection is tolled from
- the time the authority sends the notice of incompleteness to the time the 20
- 21 applicant provides the missing information. That processing deadline also
- 22 may be tolled by agreement of the applicant and the authority;
- 23 (g) An application shall be processed on a nondiscriminatory basis
- 24 and deemed approved if the authority fails to approve or deny the
- 25 application within ninety days after receipt of the application. Upon
- 26 mutual agreement between the applicant and the authority, an authority
- 27 may extend the period for consideration of an application for thirty
- 28 days;
- 29 (h) An authority may deny a proposed collocation of a small wireless
- 30 facility or installation, modification, or replacement of a utility pole
- 31 that meets the requirements of section 31 of this act only if the

- 1 proposed application:
- 2 (i) Materially and demonstrably interferes with the safe operation
- 3 of traffic control equipment;
- 4 (ii) Materially interferes with sight lines or clear zones for air
- 5 or land transportation or pedestrians;
- 6 (iii) Materially interferes with compliance with the federal
- 7 Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 or similar federal or state
- 8 standards regarding pedestrian access or movement;
- 9 (iv) Fails to comply with reasonable and nondiscriminiatory spacing
- 10 requirements of general application adopted by ordinance that concern the
- 11 location of ground-mounted equipment and new utility poles. Such spacing
- 12 requirements shall not prevent a wireless provider from serving any
- 13 location; or
- 14 (v) Fails to comply with applicable codes, if they are of general
- 15 applicability, and do not apply exclusively to wireless facilities;
- 16 (i) The authority must document the basis for a denial, including
- 17 the specific code provisions on which the denial was based, and send the
- documentation to the applicant on or before the day the authority denies 18
- 19 an application. The applicant may cure the deficiencies identified by the
- 20 authority and resubmit the application within thirty days of the denial
- 21 without paying an additional application fee. The authority shall approve
- 22 or deny the revised application within thirty days. Any subsequent review
- 23 shall be limited to the deficiencies cited in the denial;
- 24 (j) An applicant seeking to collocate small wireless facilities
- within the jurisdiction of a single authority may, at the applicant's 25
- 26 discretion, file a consolidated application for multiple individual small
- 27 wireless facilities instead of filing a separate application for each
- individual small wireless facility. Each small wireless facility within a 28
- 29 consolidated application is subject to review except that, the denial of
- 30 one or more small wireless facilities in a consolidated application shall
- not delay processing of any other small wireless facilities in the same 31

- application or be a basis to deny the consolidated application as a 1
- whole. If an applicant applies to construct or collocate several small 2
- 3 wireless facilities within the jurisdiction of a single authority, the
- 4 authority shall:
- (i) Allow the applicant, at the applicant's discretion, to file a 5
- single set of documents that apply to all the applicant's small wireless 6
- 7 facilities; and
- (ii) Render a decision regarding all of the applicant's small 8
- 9 wireless facilities in a single administrative proceeding unless local
- requirements require an elected or appointed body to render such 10
- 11 decision;
- (k) Installation or collocation for which a permit is granted 12
- pursuant to this section shall be completed within one year of the permit 13
- 14 issuance date unless the authority and the applicant agree to extend this
- 15 period or a delay is caused by the lack of commercial power or
- communications facilities at the site. Approval of an application 16
- <u>authorizes</u> the applicant to: 17
- (i) Undertake the installation or collocation; and 18
- 19 (ii) Subject to applicable relocation requirements and the
- 20 applicant's right to terminate at any time, operate and maintain the
- 21 small wireless facilities and any associated utility pole covered by the
- 22 permit for a period of not less than ten years, which permit must be
- 23 renewed for an equivalent duration so long as the applicant is in
- 24 compliance with the criteria set forth in subdivision (h) of this
- 25 subsection;
- 26 (1) An authority may not institute a moratorium on filing,
- 27 receiving, or processing applications or issuing permits or other
- approvals, if any, for the collocation of small wireless facilities or 28
- 29 the installation, modification, or replacement of utility poles to
- 30 support small wireless facilities; and
- 31 (m)(i) For any construction, operation, collocation, or placement of

1 wireless facilities or wireless support structures that occurs upon,

- 2 across, or under a state or federal highway or upon a state-owned
- 3 wireless support structure, the application process, location, and
- installation of such facilities and structures, as such pertain to the 4
- 5 present and future use of the right-of-way or state-owned poles or
- wireless support structures for highway purposes, shall be subject to the 6
- 7 rules and regulations, guidance documents, and usual and customary
- 8 permitting requirements of the State of Nebraska and the Department of
- 9 Transportation, including, but not limited to, requirements for location
- 10 and design review, liability and automobile insurance, indemnification of
- 11 the department from liability, public safety, protection of property, and
- 12 compliance with federal transportation funding requirements;
- (ii) The construction, operation, collocation, or placement of 13
- 14 wireless facilities or wireless support structures shall occur at no cost
- 15 to the Department of Transportation unless otherwise agreed in advance
- 16 between an applicant and the department;
- 17 (iii) The Department of Transportation may set and collect a
- reasonable application fee to cover its costs in administering the 18
- 19 activities described in this subsection, as well as a uniform and
- nondiscriminatory system of occupancy fees for the use and occupancy of 20
- 21 state-owned property; and
- 22 (iv) If the Department of Transportation's future maintenance or
- 23 construction of a state or federal highway requires the moving or
- 24 relocating of wireless facilities or wireless support structures, such
- 25 facilities or structures shall be removed or relocated by the owner at
- 26 the owner's expense and as directed by the Department of Transportation.
- 27 (5) An authority shall not require an application for routine
- 28 maintenance, replacement of small wireless facilities with small wireless
- 29 facilities that are substantially similar or the same size or smaller, or
- 30 the installation, placement, maintenance, operation, or replacement of
- 31 micro-wireless facilities that are strung on cables between existing

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utility poles in compliance with the National Electrical Safety Code. An 1

- 2 authority may require a permit to work within the right-of-way for such
- 3 activities, if applicable. Any such permits shall be subject to the
- 4 requirements provided in subsections (3) and (4) of this section.
- 5 (6) Any small wireless facility that is not operated for a
- 6 continuous period of twelve months, excluding nonoperation due to a
- 7 natural disaster or other unforeseeable circumstance or temporary
- 8 equipment failure, shall be considered abandoned and the owner of the
- 9 facility must remove such facility within ninety days after receipt of
- 10 written notice from the authority notifying the owner of such abandonment
- 11 unless cured within ninety days. The authority shall send such notice by
- 12 certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, to such owner at
- 13 the owner's last-known address.
- 14 Sec. 33. (1) Except as provided in section 38 of this act, this
- 15 section applies only to collocations on authority poles and authority
- wireless support structures that are located on authority property 16
- 17 outside the right-of-way.
- (2) An authority shall authorize the collocation of small wireless 18
- 19 facilities on authority poles that do not exceed fifty feet above ground
- <u>level using the process under section 32 of this act, charging only fees</u> 20
- 21 allowed under section 35 of this act and reasonable and nondiscriminatory
- 22 rates, and requiring only reasonable and nondiscriminatory terms.
- 23 (3) Subject to subsection (4) of this section, an authority shall
- 24 authorize the collocation of small wireless facilities on authority
- 25 wireless support structures and authority poles that exceed fifty feet
- 26 above ground level to the same extent, if any, that the authority permits
- 27 access to such structures for other commercial projects or uses. Such
- collocations shall be subject to reasonable and nondiscriminatory rates, 28
- 29 fees, and terms as provided in an agreement between the authority or its
- 30 agent and the wireless provider.
- 31 (4) An authority may not enter into an exclusive agreement with a

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1 wireless provider concerning authority poles that exceed fifty feet above

- 2 ground level, or authority wireless support structures, including
- 3 stadiums and enclosed arenas, unless the agreement meets either of the
- 4 following requirements:
- 5 (a) The wireless provider provides service using a shared network of
- 6 wireless facilities that it makes available for access by other wireless
- 7 providers on reasonable and nondiscriminatory rates and terms that may
- 8 <u>include use of the entire shared network as to itself, an affiliate, or</u>
- 9 any other entity; or
- 10 <u>(b) The wireless provider allows other wireless providers to</u>
- 11 <u>collocate small wireless facilities on reasonable and nondiscriminatory</u>
- 12 <u>rates and terms as to itself, an affiliate, or any other entity.</u>
- 13 (5) When determining whether a rate, fee, or term is reasonable and
- 14 <u>nondiscriminatory for the purposes of this section, consideration may be</u>
- 15 given to any relevant facts, including alternative financial or service
- 16 remuneration, characteristics of the proposed equipment or installation,
- 17 <u>structural limitations, or other commercial or unique features or</u>
- 18 <u>components.</u>
- 19 Sec. 34. (1) This section applies to activities of the wireless
- 20 provider within the right-of-way.
- 21 (2) A person owning, managing, or controlling authority poles in the
- 22 right-of-way may not enter into an exclusive arrangement with any person
- 23 for the right to attach to such poles. A person who purchases or
- 24 otherwise acquires an authority pole is subject to the requirements of
- 25 this section.
- 26 (3) An authority shall allow the collocation of small wireless
- 27 <u>facilities on authority poles using the process in section 32 of this</u>
- 28 act.
- 29 <u>(4) The rates provided under section 35 of this act to collocate on</u>
- 30 <u>authority poles shall be nondiscriminatory regardless of the services</u>
- 31 provided by the collocating person.

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1 (5)(a) The rates, fees, and terms and conditions for make-ready work

- 2 <u>collocate</u> on an authority pole must be nondiscriminatory,
- 3 competitively neutral, and commercially reasonable and must comply with
- 4 the Small Wireless Facilities Deployment Act;
- 5 (b) The authority shall provide a good faith estimate for any make-
- ready work necessary to enable the pole to support the requested 6
- 7 collocation by a wireless provider, including pole replacement if
- 8 necessary, within ninety days after receipt of a completed application.
- 9 Make-ready work, including any pole replacement, shall be completed
- 10 within sixty days of written acceptance of the good faith estimate by the
- applicant. An authority may require replacement of the authority pole 11
- 12 only if it demonstrates that the collocation would make the authority
- 13 pole structurally unsound;
- 14 (c) The person owning, managing, or controlling the authority pole
- 15 shall not require more make-ready work than required to meet applicable
- codes or industry standards. Fees for make-ready work shall not include 16
- costs related to pre-existing or prior damage or noncompliance. Fees for 17
- make-ready work, including any pole replacement, shall not exceed actual 18
- 19 costs or the amount charged to other communications service providers for
- 20 similar work and shall not include any consultant fees or expenses; and
- 21 (d) For purposes of this subsection, make-ready work generally
- 22 refers to the modification of poles or lines or the installation of guys
- 23 and anchors to accommodate additional facilities.
- 24 (1) An authority may not require a wireless provider to Sec. 35.
- 25 pay any rates, fees, or compensation to the authority or other person
- 26 other than what is expressly authorized by section 86-704 or the Small
- 27 Wireless Facilities Deployment Act for the right to use or occupy a
- right-of-way for collocation of small wireless facilities on wireless 28
- 29 support structures or utility poles in the right-of-way, or for the
- 30 installation, maintenance, modification, operation, and replacement of
- 31 utility poles in the right-of-way.

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- (2) Application fees shall be subject to the following requirements: 1
- 2 (a) An authority may charge an application fee only if such fee is
- 3 required for similar types of commercial development or construction
- 4 within the authority's jurisdiction;
- 5 (b) Where costs to be recovered by an application fee are already
- recovered by existing fees, rates, licenses, or taxes paid by a wireless 6
- 7 provider, no application fee shall be assessed;
- 8 (c) An application fee may not include travel expenses incurred by a
- 9 third party in its review of an application or direct payment or
- 10 reimbursement of third party rates or fees charged on a contingency basis
- 11 or a result-based arrangement;
- (d) An application fee for a collocation shall be limited to the 12
- cost of granting a building permit for similar types of commercial 13
- 14 development or construction within the authority's jurisdiction. The
- 15 application fees for collocation of small wireless facilities on an
- existing or replacement authority pole shall not exceed one hundred 16
- 17 dollars each for the first five small wireless facilities on the same
- application and fifty dollars for each additional small wireless facility 18
- 19 on the same application;
- 20 (e) The application fees for the installation, modification, or
- 21 replacement of a utility pole and the collocation of an associated small
- 22 wireless facility that are permitted uses in accordance with the
- specifications in section 31 of this act shall not exceed two hundred 23
- 24 fifty dollars per pole for access to the right-of-way; and
- 25 (f) An application fee for the installation, modification, or
- 26 replacement of a new utility pole associated with a small wireless
- 27 facility that is not a permitted use in accordance with the
- 28 specifications in section 31 of this act shall not exceed one thousand
- 29 <u>dollars.</u>
- 30 (3) The rate for collocation of a small wireless facility to an
- authority pole in the right-of-way shall be no more than twenty dollars 31

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1 per authority pole per year.

2 Sec. 36. Nothing in the Small Wireless Facilities Deployment Act 3 shall be interpreted to allow any entity to provide services regulated under 47 U.S.C. sections 521 to 573, as such sections existed on January 4 5 1, 2018, without compliance with all laws applicable to providers of such 6 services. The Small Wireless Facilities Deployment Act shall not be 7 interpreted to impose any new requirements on cable operators for the 8 provision of cable service in this state. 9 Sec. 37. Except as provided by the Small Wireless Facilities Deployment Act or applicable federal law, an authority may continue to 10 11 exercise zoning, land use, and planning and permitting authority within its territorial boundaries, including with respect to wireless support 12 structures and utility poles, except that no authority shall have or 13 14 exercise any jurisdiction or authority over the design, engineering, 15 construction, installation, or operation of any small wireless facility located in an interior structure or upon the site of any campus, stadium, 16 or athletic facility not owned or controlled by the authority, other than 17 to comply with applicable codes. An authority shall evaluate the 18 19 structure classification for wireless support structures under the 20 standard of the American National Standards Institute found in ANSI/ 21 TIA-222, as such standard existed on January 1, 2018. Nothing in the 22 Small Wireless Facilities Deployment Act shall authorize the state or any 23 political subdivision thereof, including an authority, to require 24 wireless facility deployment or to regulate wireless services. 25 (1) An authority may adopt an ordinance that makes 26 available to wireless providers rates, fees, and other terms that comply 27 with the Small Wireless Facilities Deployment Act. In the absence of an ordinance that fully complies with the Small Wireless Facilities 28 29 Deployment Act and until such a compliant ordinance may be adopted, 30 wireless providers may install and operate small wireless facilities and

utility poles under the requirements of the Small Wireless Facilities

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Deployment Act. An authority and a wireless provider may enter into an 1

- <u>agreement implementing the provisions of the Small Wireless Facilities</u> 2
- 3 Deployment Act, but an authority may not require a wireless provider to
- 4 enter into such an agreement.
- 5 (2) Agreements between an authority and a wireless provider for the
- 6 deployment of small wireless facilities in the right-of-way under the
- 7 terms of the Small Wireless Facilities Deployment Act are public-private
- 8 agreements. Such agreements, and any ordinances implementing the Small
- 9 Wireless Facilities Deployment Act, are matters of legitimate and
- significant statewide concern. An agreement or ordinance that does not 10
- 11 fully comply with the Small Wireless Facilities Deployment Act may apply
- 12 only to small wireless facilities and utility poles that became
- operational or were installed before the effective date of this act, 13
- 14 which shall not nullify, modify, amend, or prohibit a mutual agreement
- 15 made prior to the effective date of this act between an authority and any
- wireless provider for the placement of small wireless facilities that 16
- were installed or approved for installation prior to the effective date 17
- of this act. Such an agreement or ordinance may not be renewed, extended, 18
- 19 or made to apply to any other small wireless facility, unless it is
- 20 modified to fully comply with the Small Wireless Facilities Deployment
- 21 Act. If an agreement or ordinance is invalid in accordance with this
- 22 subsection, in the absence of an agreement or ordinance that fully
- 23 complies with the Small Wireless Facilities Deployment Act and until such
- 24 a compliant agreement or ordinance is entered or adopted, small wireless
- facilities and utility poles that become operational or were constructed 25
- 26 before the effective date of this act may remain installed and be
- 27 operated under the requirements of the Small Wireless Facilities
- 28 Deployment Act.
- (3) An agreement or ordinance that applies to small wireless 29
- 30 facilities that become operational on or after the effective date of this
- act is invalid and unenforceable beginning on the effective date of this 31

act unless it fully complies with the Small Wireless Facilities 1 2 Deployment Act, except as provided in subsection (2) of this section. If 3 an agreement or ordinance is invalid in accordance with this subsection, in the absence of an agreement or ordinance that fully complies with the 4 5 Small Wireless Facilities Deployment Act and until such a compliant 6 agreement or ordinance is entered or adopted, small wireless facilities 7 and utility poles may be installed and operated in the right-of-way or 8 become operational under the requirements of the Small Wireless 9 Facilities Deployment Act. A court of competent jurisdiction shall have jurisdiction 10 11 to determine all disputes arising under the Small Wireless Facilities 12 Deployment Act. Pending resolution of a dispute concerning rates for collocation of small wireless facilities on authority poles, the person 13 14 owning or controlling the authority pole shall allow the collocating 15 person to collocate on its poles at an annual rate of no more than twenty dollars with rates to be reconciled upon final resolution of the dispute. 16 Complaints shall be resolved no later than one hundred eighty days after 17