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Honorable Nancy Skinner, Chair
Joint Legislative Budget Committee
Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee

Honorable Phil Ting, Chair
Assembly Budget Committee

Notification Pursuant to Control Section 11.96 of the 2021 Budget Act – Support Resources for Public Utilities Commission Broadband Implementation

Pursuant to subdivision (d) of Control Section 11.96 of the 2021 Budget Act, the Department of Finance may authorize the establishment of positions and the transfer of amounts between a department's state operations and local assistance items to support the implementation of the same programmatic purpose that had funding appropriated by the Legislature from the Coronavirus Fiscal Recovery Fund of 2021.

Pursuant to subdivision (n) of Control Section 11.96 of the 2021 Budget Act (Ch. 2, Stats. 2022), the following report is respectfully submitted.

The Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) requests the transfer of \$29,135,000 from Item 8660-162-8506 to Item 8660-062-8506 from the 2021 Budget Act (Ch. 84, Stats. 2021) and the establishment of 46 permanent positions to support its implementation of the broadband activities required by SB 156 (Ch. 112, Stats. 2021).

Of the funding that will be transferred, \$26,640,000 will support 46 permanent positions for three years at the CPUC; \$1,575,000 will support four limited-term positions for three years at the CPUC; and \$920,000 will support two limited-term positions for two years within the Public Advocate's Office of the CPUC. These resources are necessary to support the CPUC's responsibilities and administrative implementation of SB 156.

We concur with the necessity of this change to the approved budget and will be approving the Executive Order request no sooner than 30 days from the above date.

If you have any questions or need additional information regarding this matter, please call Damien Mimnaugh, Principal Program Budget Analyst, at (916) 322-2263.

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