

1.1 Senator moves to amend the delete-everything amendment (SCS1955A-3)
1.2 to S.F. No. 1955 as follows:

1.3 Page 48, delete section 3, and insert:

1.4 "Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 116J.395, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

1.5 Subd. 7. **Limitation.** (a) No grant awarded under this section may fund more than 50
1.6 percent of the total cost of a project.

1.7 (b) Grants awarded to a single project under this section must not exceed ~~\$5,000,000~~
1.8 \$10,000,000.

1.9 Sec. 4. **[116J.3952] LOWER POPULATION DENSITY GRANT PROGRAM.**

1.10 Subdivision 1. **Establishment.** A lower population density grant program is established
1.11 in the Department of Employment and Economic Development. The purpose of the lower
1.12 population density grant program is to provide broadband service to unserved and
1.13 underserved areas of the state where a 50 percent match formula is not adequate to make a
1.14 business case for the extension of broadband facilities.

1.15 Subd. 2. **Grants.** Grants awarded under this section may fund up to 75 percent of the
1.16 total cost of a project and must otherwise adhere to section 116J.395, subdivisions 1 to 6
1.17 and subdivision 7, paragraph (b).

1.18 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 116J.396, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

1.19 Subd. 2. **Expenditures.** Money in the account may be used only:

1.20 (1) for grant awards made under sections 116J.395 ~~and to 116J.3951~~ 116J.3952, including
1.21 costs incurred by the Department of Employment and Economic Development to administer
1.22 that section;

1.23 (2) to supplement revenues raised by bonds sold by local units of government for
1.24 broadband infrastructure development; or

1.25 (3) to contract for the collection of broadband deployment data from providers and the
1.26 creation of maps showing the availability of broadband service."

1.27 Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references

1.28 Amend the title accordingly