



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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EDC of Kansas City, MO Supports HB 461 After reviewing the bill, we would like to express our support for HB 461. Of note, the EDC of Kansas City, MO convenes a 30-member legislative committee to create the 2022 KC Consensus Agenda on Economic Development. This committee is comprised of diverse economic developer stakeholder organizations across Kansas City, Missouri. Over 20 organizations throughout the KC Region have endorsed the agenda. The agenda itself represents widely held economic development priorities for the Kansas City region. One particular item of focus on the Consensus Agenda is the expansion of digital access which includes broadband infrastructure. We support this legislation on behalf of the Consensus Agenda partners as we it can improve the state's ability to meet the need for more broadband, which will in turn improve economic development outcomes.



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The League of Women Voters believes that high-speed affordable internet access is an essential service that should be readily available to all U.S. residents and businesses. National, state and local government policies should support broadband, wireless, and other means of high-speed internet deployment throughout the nation. The League of Women Voters of Missouri supports the efforts to bring broadband statewide in Missouri.



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I would ask that you support this bill. MO has one of the lower rates of access to broadband. This creates barriers for many aspects of education, workforce development, career development and access to government services and information, as stated in the bill. I believe it also limits access to different opinions and may contribute to lack of understanding of other views, contributing to some of the lack of tolerance and divisiveness which we are working to abate. Thank you for listening.



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On behalf of Microsoft Corporation in support HB461			



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In am Opposed to this Bill. This is is Unneeded! Broadband Expansion is being Constructed now. This is a Waste of OUR Tax-Dollars with Reports that do nothing, but Collect Dust!