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WITNESS NAME: DEREK LEFFERT		PHONE NUMBER: 573-280-8500
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This bill clarifies the exemption of machinery and equipment used to provide broadband services from sales/use taxes. The Missouri Supreme Court in April 2023 ruled such items were exempt when used to provide telecommunications services. All, or nearly all, of the equipment used to provide broadband also provides telecommunications services (VOIP) to at least one customer. Therefore, this bill simply clarifies the issue for the Mo. Dept. of Revenue and prevents confusion and unnecessary future legal battles.



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WITNESS NAME: ARNIE C. "HONEST-ABE" DIENOFF-STATE PUBLIC ADVOCATE		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I am Opposed to this Bill and its intent. We can not carve out Special Requirements of a certain Business over other Businesses receiving "Sales Tax-Exemption." This Bill is clearly picking Winners and Losers and catering to "Special-Interests!" The Broad-Band Companies will turn around and continue to charge "Sales-Taxes" and "Utility-Taxes" on the Customers that they service. Defeat this Bad State Tax Policy Bill!