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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 624

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 624 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Illinois Highway Code is amended by
5 changing Section 9-131 as follows:

6 (605 ILCS 5/9-131)

7 Sec. 9-131. Installation of fiber-optic network conduit.

8 (a) For purposes of this Section:

9 "Fiber-optic network conduit" means a pipe or duct used to
10 enclose fiber-optic cable facilities buried alongside the
11 roadway or surface mounted on bridges, overpasses, and other
12 facilities where below ground placement is impossible or
13 impractical.

14 (b) In order to ensure affordable high-speed, world-class
15 core information and communication networks are available
16 throughout Illinois, the Illinois Department of Transportation

1 and the Department of Central Management Services shall
2 collaborate to install fiber-optic network conduit where it
3 does not already exist in every new State-funded construction
4 project that opens, bores, or trenches alongside a State-owned
5 infrastructure, including, but not limited to, roadways and
6 bridges. The Department of Central Management Services or the
7 Department of Transportation may permit a third party to manage
8 the fiber and conduit leasing. Counties with a population of
9 more than 3,000,000 inhabitants shall be notified of
10 fiber-optic network conduit installations made under this
11 Section and shall have the right to install fiber-optic network
12 conduit during State-funded construction projects. The
13 Department of Central Management Services and the Department of
14 Transportation shall take reasonable steps to ensure
15 market-based, non-discriminatory pricing. Public bidding
16 notices for such projects must describe the need for
17 fiber-optic conduit or cable. The Department of Transportation
18 shall report annually to the Governor and the General Assembly
19 on the progress and any associated costs incurred by this
20 Section. This Section does not prohibit the State from
21 purchasing or installing fiber-optic cable within the
22 fiber-optic network conduit.

23 (Source: P.A. 96-37, eff. 7-13-09.)".