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Delegate Hanshaw, from the committee of conference on matters of disagreement between the two houses, as to

Eng. House Bill No. 4629, Relating to broadband enhancement and expansion policies generally.

Submitted the following report, which was received:

Your committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses as to the amendment of the Senate to Engrossed Committee Substitute for House Bill 4629 having met, after full and free conference, have agreed to recommend and do recommend to their respective houses, as follows:

That both houses recede from their respective positions as to the amendment of the Senate striking out everything after the enacting clause, and agree to the same as follows:

CHAPTER 31G. BROADBAND ENHANCEMENT AND EXPANSION POLICIES

ARTICLE 1. BROADBAND ENHANCEMENT COUNCIL.

§31G-1-10. Pilot Project for cooperatives by political subdivisions.

1 [Repealed].

ARTICLE 2. COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATIONS.

§31G-2-1. Definitions.

1 As used in this article:

2 (1) "Cooperative association" or "association" means any corporation organized under this
3 article. Each association shall also comply with the requisite business corporation provisions of
4 chapter thirty-one-d or thirty-one-f of this code, or the nonprofit corporation provisions of chapter

5 thirty-one-e of this code.

6 (2) "Internet services" means providing access to, and presence on, the internet and other
7 services. Data may be transmitted using several technologies, including dial-up, DSL, cable
8 modem, wireless, or dedicated high-speed interconnects.

9 (3) "Member" means a member of an association without capital stock and a holder of
10 common stock in an association organized with capital stock.

11 (4) "Qualified person" means a person who is engaged in the use of internet services,
12 either in an individual capacity, as a political subdivision of this state, or as a business.

13 (5) "Qualified activity" means using internet services.;

And,

That both houses recede from their respective positions as to the title of the bill and agree
to the same as follows:

Eng. Com. Sub. for House Bill No. 4629 -- A BILL to repeal §31G-1-10, of the Code of
West Virginia, 1931, as amended; to amend and reenact §31G-2-1 of said Code; all relating to
broadband enhancement and expansion policies generally; repealing language relating to pilot
project for cooperative associations by political subdivisions; and providing that a political
subdivision of this state may be a qualified person for the purposes of forming a cooperative
association.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chair.

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Conferees on the part of the Senate

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Delegates.*