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CALIFORNIA SENATE & ASSEMBLY - ECONOMY

SB-556 (DODD), AB-537 (QUIRK), AND SB-378 (GONZALEZ)

2021-2022 Broadband Development Bills

Senators [Bill Dodd \(D3\)](#), [Lena A. Gonzalez \(D33\)](#) and Assembly Member [Bill Quirk \(D20\)](#).

- **SB-556 Street light poles, traffic signal poles: small wireless facilities attachments.**
 - Would require a city, county, and local publicly owned electric utilities to make available appropriate space and capacity on and in their street light poles, traffic signal poles, and supporting structures for broadband infrastructure.
 - Status: 01/27/22 - Veto sustained. Stricken from file. 10/04/21 - Vetoed by the Governor. [History](#)
 - [Click here](#) for the bill.
- **AB-537 Communications: wireless telecommunications and broadband facilities.**

- Would ensure Californians quickly benefit from high-speed internet projects by requiring local governments to approve or deny broadband permits within federally mandated timelines.
- Status: 10/04/21 - Chaptered by the Secretary of State - Chapter 467, Statutes of 2021. [History](#)
- [Click here](#) for the bill.
- **SB-378 Local government: broadband infrastructure development project permit processing: microtrenching permit processing ordinance.**
 - Would require a local agency to allow micro trenching for the installation of underground fiber.
 - Status: 10/08/21 - Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 677, Statutes of 2021. [History](#)
 - [Click here](#) for the bill.

Position

- Recommended Position: **Support**
- Extremely challenging and expensive infrastructure of broadband is placement of equipment. BizFed has developed a broadband infrastructure plan for a large share of the Southern California region. We are trying to align both business and government to accelerate the development of and access to broadband, while minimizing the costs to the consumer.

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