

## 7 U.S. Code § 950bb-1

## Expansion of middle mile infrastructure into rural areas

## (a) Purpose

The purpose of this section is to encourage the expansion and extension of middle mile broadband infrastructure to connect underserved rural areas to the backbone of the Internet.

## (b) Middle mile infrastructure

For the purposes of this section, the term "middle mile infrastructure" means any broadband infrastructure that does not connect directly to end-user locations (including anchor institutions) and may include interoffice transport, backhaul, Internet connectivity, data centers, or special access transport to rural areas.

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