



October 15, 2026

The Honorable Senator Mike McGuire
California State Senate
Sacramento, California

Re: Support for SB 68 – Rural Broadband Transparency Act

Dear Senator McGuire,

On behalf of the California Teachers Association (CTA), I am writing to express our support for SB 68, the Rural Broadband Transparency Act. Reliable internet access is essential for students, educators, and families throughout California, especially those living in rural and underserved communities.

Students increasingly depend on internet access to complete assignments, research information, access educational resources, and participate in online learning. When internet service is unreliable or providers do not clearly communicate service speeds and quality, students and families may face additional challenges in their education.

SB 68 seeks to improve transparency by requiring internet providers to provide accurate information about their broadband services. CTA supports efforts to help families better understand the services they receive and hold providers accountable for providing clear and reliable information. We also appreciate the bill's approach of requiring providers to cover the costs of these transparency measures rather than relying on state funding.

Although transparency is an important step, additional consideration should be given to low-income families and rural communities that continue to experience limited or unreliable broadband access. Ensuring that families have access to affordable and dependable internet service is important to reducing educational barriers and creating more equal opportunities for students.

CTA believes that improving broadband transparency can help students, educators, and families make informed decisions about internet service. For these reasons, we respectfully encourage the Legislature to support SB 68 and advance efforts to improve broadband transparency throughout California.

Thank you for your leadership and for considering the needs of California's students, families, and educators.

Sincerely,

California Teachers Association Representative

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