



STATE OF VERMONT
JOINT FISCAL OFFICE

MEMORANDUM

To: Joint Fiscal Committee Members
From: Nathan Lavery, Fiscal Analyst
Date: February 4, 2011
Subject: Grant Request

Enclosed please find one (1) request that the Joint Fiscal Office has received from the administration.

JFO #2482 — \$550,000 grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to the Department of Libraries. This grant will be used to support fiber broadband connectivity for 53 public libraries throughout the state. This effort will be part of the Vermont FiberConnect project. **Expedited review has been requested for this item.**

These documents are being distributed in advance of the formal convening of the Joint Fiscal Committee in order to provide members with additional review time. Should the committee Chair ultimately grant expedited review, committee members will be contacted shortly thereafter with a request to waive the statutory review period and accept this item.

In accordance with the procedures for processing such requests, we ask you to review the enclosed and notify the Joint Fiscal Office (Nathan Lavery at 802-828-1488; nlavery@leg.state.vt.us) if you have questions or would like an item held for legislative review.

cc: Martha Reid, State Librarian