

Secretary: Vote explanation. Sen Boquist.

“SB 1603 is a tax. It requires a 2/3rd vote but the law does not matter to the super majority who make the legislative rules and control the legislative staff. The Carrier claimed this bill is about broadband support, yet, the actual spending in the bill for broadband is approximately 15%. So how is 15% suddenly the intent of the bill. It is phony at best. A problem exists but this is not the solution. Even I can see highspeed cable hanging on the telephone poll near my house but cannot access it. This bill does not fix this problem. The bill is only before the emergency session as the issue failed in bill form for the past three sessions. The contention this bills is about Covid 19 is in this State Senator a false statement. I could say worse in regard to the attempt to claim it is about an epidemic as defined by the CDC, EUDC, and WHO. The bill and issue could have been solved had not the Democrat Speaker of the House and her Democrat caucus fled the State Capitol for the last three days of the 2020 Short Session. This requires a NO vote.”