A bill to be entitled
An act relating to broadband Internet service;
repealing chapter 2012-131, Laws of Florida, relating
to broadband Internet service; amending s. 364.0135,
F.S.; requiring the Department of Management Services
to develop geographic information system maps in
collaboration with specified entities and consistent
with certain federal reporting standards by a
specified date; specifying required contents of the
maps; requiring the department to annually update such
maps and establish a mechanism to receive and verify
public input related to broadband Internet service;
authorizing the department to work collaboratively
with specified entities in developing the mechanism;
specifying actions the department must take relative
to proceedings of the Federal Communications
Commission related to broadband Internet service;
providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Chapter 2012-131, Laws of Florida, is repealed.
Section 2. Present subsections (3), (4), and (5) of section
364.0135, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (4),
(5), and (6), respectively, a new subsection (3) is added to
that section, and paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of that
section is amended, to read:

364.0135 Promotion of broadband adoption.—
(2) The Department of Management Services is authorized to
work collaboratively with, and to receive staffing support and
other resources from, Enterprise Florida, Inc., state agencies,
local governments, private businesses, and community
organizations to:

(a) Monitor the adoption of broadband Internet service in
collaboration with communications service providers, including,
but not limited to, wireless and wireline Internet service
providers, to develop geographical information system maps at
the census tract level that will:

1. Identify geographic gaps in broadband services,
including areas unserved by any broadband provider and areas
served by a single broadband provider;

2. Identify the download and upload transmission speeds
made available to businesses and individuals in the state, at
the census tract level of detail, using data rate benchmarks for
broadband service used by the Federal Communications Commission
to reflect different speed tiers; and

3. Provide a baseline assessment of statewide broadband
deployment in terms of percentage of households with broadband
availability.

(3)(a) By June 30, 2021, the department shall develop
geographic information system maps, in collaboration with
broadband Internet service providers and consistent with the
Digital Opportunity Data Collection program reporting standards
established by the Federal Communications Commission, that:

1. Identify geographic areas and locations in the state
where broadband-capable networks exist and broadband Internet
service is available to end users.

2. Identify the download and upload data transmission
speeds available in each geographic area.

(b) The department must update the geographic information system maps on an annual basis.

(c) The department must establish a mechanism to receive and verify public input that identifies locations in which broadband Internet service is not available, including locations in which broadband Internet service is provided at data transmission speeds below the standard established by the Federal Communications Commission for broadband Internet service. Upon verification, the department shall adjust its geographic information system maps to reflect information received from the public. In developing and implementing this mechanism, the department may work in collaboration with, and receive staffing support and other resources from, Enterprise Florida, Inc., state agencies, local governments, private businesses, and community organizations.

(d) The department shall monitor, participate in, and provide input in proceedings of the Federal Communications Commission related to the geographic availability and deployment of broadband Internet service in the state to ensure that the information is accurately presented and that rural, unserved, and underserved areas of the state are best positioned to benefit from broadband deployment programs administered by the Federal Communications Commission.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2020.