

Technology Report

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Senate Bill 140 - The Senate finance committee is hearing testimony on [Senate Bill 140](#) today (5/8/23). This bill would increase BAG support from the current 25mbps to 100mbps, allowing us to reach the FCC goal of 1mbps at all of our schools. We are providing written testimony to the Senate Finance Committee in hopes that they will pass this bill.

DRS/SES OneWeb Install - SES is reporting tentative OneWeb installation dates of 6/5 - 6/24, pending the arrival of the equipment.

Starlink Update - Starlink's most recently deployed constellation of satellites has reached final orbit and is slowly coming online. The additional satellites should reduce dropped connections and stabilize bandwidth fluctuations. We look forward to the complimentary bandwidth Starlink will offer this fall alongside our new OneWeb connections.

Technology Staff - **Nathan McArthur** will be taking on an official half-time technology role this fall. Nate has been an invaluable asset in his current technology liaison role at Newhalen over this past year. He will be taking over a number of the technology duties previously fulfilled by Jim Dube. We look forward to working with Nate as he helps us to integrate technology into curriculum and daily instruction.