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### An Act To Create Efficiency in E-9-1-1 Call Centers

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Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

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Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator THIBODEAU of Waldo.

Cosponsored by Representative CRAY of Palmyra and

Senators: PLOWMAN of Penobscot, RECTOR of Knox, THOMAS of Somerset.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 25 MRSA §2923-A**, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 622, §2, is repealed and the  
3 following enacted in its place:

4 **§2923-A. Public safety answering point service**

5 **1. Municipal authority.** A municipality may:

6 A. Operate a public safety answering point approved by the bureau pursuant to  
7 section 2926, subsection 2-A;

8 B. Enter into an agreement with another entity for public safety answering point  
9 service; or

10 C. Arrange for public safety answering point service through an agreement with  
11 another government entity that enters into a contract for public safety answering point  
12 service on behalf of the municipality.

13 **2. Department default provider.** If a municipality does not arrange for public  
14 safety answering point service pursuant to subsection 1, the department shall serve as the  
15 provider of public safety answering point service to the municipality. The municipality  
16 shall pay the department for the provision of that service.

17 **3. Term limit.** An agreement under this section to provide public safety answering  
18 point service may not have a term that is less than 5 years.

19 **4. Deposit fees.** Fees received by the department pursuant to this section must be  
20 deposited in the Consolidated Emergency Communications Fund established in section  
21 1534.

22 **Sec. 2. 25 MRSA §2926, sub-§2, ¶C**, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 566, §9, is  
23 repealed.

24 **Sec. 3. 25 MRSA §2926, sub-§2, ¶I**, as amended by PL 2001, c. 439, Pt. EEEE,  
25 §3, is further amended to read:

26 I. Procedures for collecting and administering the necessary funds for E-9-1-1; ~~and~~

27 **Sec. 4. 25 MRSA §2926, sub-§2, ¶J**, as enacted by PL 2001, c. 439, Pt. EEEE,  
28 §4, is amended to read:

29 J. Standards and procedures for developing and maintaining the system databases  
30 and for ensuring the confidentiality of those databases pursuant to section 2929-; and

31 **Sec. 5. 25 MRSA §2926, sub-§2, ¶K** is enacted to read:

32 K. Procedures to route a wireless E-9-1-1 call:

33 (1) To the department's public safety answering point service if the call is  
34 initiated one mile from or within one mile of the Interstate 95 corridor or the  
35 Interstate 295 corridor; and



1       answering point. It requires the bureau to design the E-9-1-1 system to route a wireless  
2       E-9-1-1 call initiated one mile or less from the Interstate 95 or 295 corridor to the  
3       Department of Public Safety. This bill clarifies that municipalities may arrange for public  
4       safety answering point service through an agreement with another government entity and  
5       prohibits a contract to provide public safety answering point service from having a term  
6       of less than 5 years.