

Legislative Analysis



EMERGENCY 9-1-1 SERVICE ENABLING ACT - DISTRIBUTION OF SERVICE CHARGE FEES FOR 9-1-1

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House Bill 4671

Sponsor: Rep. Earl Poleski

Committee: Appropriations

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4671 AS INTRODUCED 5-2-13

House Bill 4671 would amend the Emergency 9-1-1 Service Enabling Act to eliminate the one year sunset and allow the Department of Treasury to fund a portion of the department's costs in administering the act from the Emergency 9-1-1 Fund on an annual basis. Specifically, the provisions of the bill would authorize the Department of Treasury to annually receive an amount not to exceed \$150,000 from the money not distributed to local exchange providers under the act. Current law states that 7.75% of all money collected and deposited in the Emergency 9-1-1 Fund shall be made available for local exchange providers for costs related to wireless emergency services.

Under current law, the appropriation of up to \$150,000 for the Department of Treasury for administration of the Emergency 9-1-1 Service Enabling Act was for FY 2011-12 only.

FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 4671 would have no impact on current appropriation levels. The Department of Treasury would be able to receive and expend the funds under current appropriation levels. If funds were available after disbursement to local exchange providers for costs related to wireless emergency service, the provisions of the bill would enable the Department of Treasury to cover a portion of the costs associated with administering the Emergency 9-1-1 Service Enabling Act. The amount could not exceed \$150,000 annually. There are sufficient funds to cover this disbursement to the Department of Treasury. The current carry-forward balance is \$2.9 million.

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