

# HB3719



## 104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2025 and 2026

HB3719

Introduced 2/18/2025, by Rep. La Shawn K. Ford

### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

50 ILCS 750/85 new

Amends the Emergency Telephone System Act. Provides that a law enforcement agency that encrypts police scanner transmissions must provide, by license or otherwise, real-time access to those transmissions to broadcast stations, broadcasting stations, radio broadcast stations, and newspapers. Effective January 1, 2026.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning local government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Emergency Telephone System Act is amended  
5 by adding Section 85 as follows:

6 (50 ILCS 750/85 new)

7 Sec. 85. Encrypted police scanner transmissions. A law  
8 enforcement agency that encrypts police scanner transmissions  
9 must provide, by license or otherwise, real-time access to  
10 those transmissions to broadcast stations, broadcasting  
11 stations, and radio broadcast stations, as those terms are  
12 defined in 47 U.S.C. 153, and to newspapers, as that term is  
13 described in Section 5 of the Notice By Publication Act.

14 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect January  
15 1, 2026.