

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 by  
5 changing Section 15.4 as follows:

6 (50 ILCS 750/15.4) (from Ch. 134, par. 45.4)

7 Sec. 15.4. Emergency Telephone System Board; powers.

8 (a) The corporate authorities of any county or municipality  
9 that imposes a surcharge under Section 15.3 shall establish an  
10 Emergency Telephone System Board. The corporate authorities  
11 shall provide for the manner of appointment and the number of  
12 members of the Board, provided that the board shall consist of  
13 not fewer than 5 members, one of whom must be a public member  
14 who is a resident of the local exchange service territory  
15 included in the 9-1-1 coverage area, one of whom (in counties  
16 with a population less than 100,000) must be a member of the  
17 county board, and at least 3 of whom shall be representative of  
18 the 9-1-1 public safety agencies, including but not limited to  
19 police departments, fire departments, emergency medical  
20 services providers, and emergency services and disaster  
21 agencies, and appointed on the basis of their ability or  
22 experience. Elected officials are also eligible to serve on the  
23 board. Members of the board shall serve without compensation

1 but shall be reimbursed for their actual and necessary  
2 expenses. Any 2 or more municipalities, counties, or  
3 combination thereof, that impose a surcharge under Section 15.3  
4 may, instead of establishing individual boards, establish by  
5 intergovernmental agreement a Joint Emergency Telephone System  
6 Board pursuant to this Section. The manner of appointment of  
7 such a joint board shall be prescribed in the agreement.

8 (b) The powers and duties of the board shall be defined by  
9 ordinance of the municipality or county, or by  
10 intergovernmental agreement in the case of a joint board. The  
11 powers and duties shall include, but need not be limited to the  
12 following:

13 (1) Planning a 9-1-1 system.

14 (2) Coordinating and supervising the implementation,  
15 upgrading, or maintenance of the system, including the  
16 establishment of equipment specifications and coding  
17 systems.

18 (3) Receiving moneys from the surcharge imposed under  
19 Section 15.3, and from any other source, for deposit into  
20 the Emergency Telephone System Fund.

21 (4) Authorizing all disbursements from the fund.

22 (5) Hiring any staff necessary for the implementation  
23 or upgrade of the system.

24 (c) All moneys received by a board pursuant to a surcharge  
25 imposed under Section 15.3 shall be deposited into a separate  
26 interest-bearing Emergency Telephone System Fund account. The

1 treasurer of the municipality or county that has established  
2 the board or, in the case of a joint board, any municipal or  
3 county treasurer designated in the intergovernmental  
4 agreement, shall be custodian of the fund. All interest  
5 accruing on the fund shall remain in the fund. No expenditures  
6 may be made from such fund except upon the direction of the  
7 board by resolution passed by a majority of all members of the  
8 board. Expenditures may be made only to pay for the costs  
9 associated with the following:

10 (1) The design of the Emergency Telephone System.

11 (2) The coding of an initial Master Street Address  
12 Guide data base, and update and maintenance thereof.

13 (3) The repayment of any moneys advanced for the  
14 implementation of the system.

15 (4) The charges for Automatic Number Identification  
16 and Automatic Location Identification equipment, a  
17 computer aided dispatch system that records, maintains,  
18 and integrates information, mobile data transmitters  
19 equipped with automatic vehicle locators, and maintenance,  
20 replacement and update thereof to increase operational  
21 efficiency and improve the provision of emergency  
22 services.

23 (5) The non-recurring charges related to installation  
24 of the Emergency Telephone System and the ongoing network  
25 charges.

26 (6) The acquisition and installation, or the

1 reimbursement of costs therefor to other governmental  
2 bodies that have incurred those costs, of road or street  
3 signs that are essential to the implementation of the  
4 emergency telephone system and that are not duplicative of  
5 signs that are the responsibility of the jurisdiction  
6 charged with maintaining road and street signs.

7 (7) Other products and services necessary for the  
8 implementation, upgrade, and maintenance of the system and  
9 any other purpose related to the operation of the system,  
10 including costs attributable directly to the construction,  
11 leasing, or maintenance of any buildings or facilities or  
12 costs of personnel attributable directly to the operation  
13 of the system. Costs attributable directly to the operation  
14 of an emergency telephone system do not include the costs  
15 of public safety agency personnel who are and equipment  
16 that is dispatched in response to an emergency call.

17 (8) In the case of a municipality that imposes a  
18 surcharge under subsection (h) of Section 15.3, moneys may  
19 also be used for any anti-terrorism or emergency  
20 preparedness measures, including, but not limited to,  
21 preparedness planning, providing local matching funds for  
22 federal or State grants, personnel training, and  
23 specialized equipment, including surveillance cameras as  
24 needed to deal with natural and terrorist-inspired  
25 emergency situations or events.

26 (9) In a municipality with a population of less than

1       15,000, funds may be expended for costs associated with  
2       emergency warning systems specifically designed to provide  
3       warning for tornadoes. Expenditures may be made under this  
4       item (9) only if sufficient funds are available to make  
5       expenditures under items (1) through (8) of this  
6       subsection.

7       Moneys in the fund may also be transferred to a  
8       participating fire protection district to reimburse volunteer  
9       firefighters who man remote telephone switching facilities  
10      when dedicated 9-1-1 lines are down.

11      (d) The board shall complete the data base before  
12      implementation of the 9-1-1 system. The error ratio of the data  
13      base shall not at any time exceed 1% of the total data base.

14      (Source: P.A. 95-698, eff. 1-1-08.)

15      Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
16      becoming law.