

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 15.2a as follows:

6 (50 ILCS 750/15.2a) (from Ch. 134, par. 45.2a)

7 Sec. 15.2a. The installation of or connection to a
8 telephone company's network of any automatic alarm, automatic
9 alerting device, or mechanical dialer that causes the number
10 9-1-1 to be dialed in order to directly access emergency
11 services is prohibited in a 9-1-1 system.

12 This Section does not apply to devices used to enable
13 access to the 9-1-1 system for cognitively-impaired, disabled,
14 or special needs persons in an emergency situation reported by
15 a caregiver after initiating a missing person's report. The
16 device must have the capability to be activated and controlled
17 remotely by trained personnel at a service center to prevent
18 falsely activated or repeated calls to the 9-1-1 system in a
19 single incident. The device must have the technical capability
20 to generate location information to the 9-1-1 system. Under no
21 circumstances shall a device be sold for use in a geographical
22 jurisdiction where the 9-1-1 system has not deployed wireless
23 phase II location technology. The alerting device shall also

1 provide for either 2-way communication or send a pre-recorded
2 message to a 9-1-1 provider explaining the nature of the
3 emergency so that the 9-1-1 provider will be able to dispatch
4 the appropriate emergency responder.

5 Violation of this Section is a Class A misdemeanor. A
6 second or subsequent violation of this Section is a Class 4
7 felony.

8 (Source: P.A. 87-146; 88-497.)