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UTILITIES AND ENERGY

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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 121ST LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1056, L.D. 1444, Bill, "An Act To Facilitate E-9-1-1 for Multiline Telephone Systems"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 25 MRSA §2934 is enacted to read:

§2934. Multiline telephone systems

1. Requirements. The bureau may by rule establish requirements for locating emergency calls, and initiating emergency responses to such calls, made from within multiline telephone systems, including network-based or premises-based systems, whether owned or leased by a public or private entity, such as private branch exchanges or Centrex systems. Rules adopted pursuant to this section:

A. May not require any local unit of government to expand or modify its activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenues;

B. Apply only to multiline telephone systems installed, introduced, established or replaced after the effective date of the rules;

2           C. Must provide for appropriate standards, exemptions and  
4           waivers that balance the benefits of improved methods of  
          locating emergency calls, and initiating emergency responses  
6           to such calls, made from within multiline telephone systems  
          and the cost of achieving those improvements. The rules  
8           must allow, in appropriate circumstances, for methods that  
          do not utilize automatic location identification and  
10           automatic number identification standards used in processing  
          enhanced 9-1-1 calls; and

12           D. May establish appropriate technical, procedural or any  
          other standards relating to multiline telephone systems,  
14           telecommunications carrier interconnectivity, databases,  
          dialing instructions, signaling or other matters necessary  
16           or appropriate to carry out the purposes of this section.

18           2. Rules. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are major  
          substantive rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter  
20           2-A. The bureau may not provisionally adopt any rule under this  
          section that has not been approved by the Public Utilities  
22           Commission.'

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## SUMMARY

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          This amendment replaces the bill. This amendment permits  
28           the Department of Public Safety, Emergency Services  
          Communications Bureau to adopt rules to establish requirements  
30           for locating emergency calls, and initiating emergency responses  
          to such calls, made from within multiline telephone systems,  
32           including network-based or premises-based systems, whether owned  
          or leased by a public or private entity, such as private branch  
34           exchanges or Centrex systems. The amendment establishes  
          parameters for any such rules, makes them major substantive rules  
36           subject to legislative approval and requires them to be approved  
          by the Public Utilities Commission prior to their submission to  
38           the Legislature.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED  
(See attached)

121st Maine Legislature  
Office of Fiscal and Program Review

LD 1444

An Act To Facilitate E-9-1-1 for Multiline Telephone Systems



LR 1873(02)

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Utilities and Energy

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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### Fiscal Note

Possible future biennium cost increase - General Fund

#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

Allowing the Emergency Services Communications Bureau to adopt certain rules pertaining to emergency call information requirements for multi-line telephone systems may represent a significant cost to departments and agencies within Maine State government. The amounts will depend on the content of any such rules that are adopted by the bureau; the amounts can not be determined at this time.