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An Act To Reduce the Amount Collected for the Purpose of the E-9-1-1 System

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Reference to the Committee on Utilities and Energy suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative RINES of Wiscasset.
Cosponsored by Senator BARTLETT of Cumberland and
Representatives: BLISS of South Portland, Speaker CUMMINGS of Portland, FITTS of
Pittsfield, FLETCHER of Winslow, PINGREE of North Haven, PRATT of Eddington,
TARDY of Newport, Senator: SMITH of Piscataquis.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 25 MRSA §2927, sub-§1-B**, as amended by PL 2007, c. 68, §5, is further
3 amended to read:

4 **1-B. Statewide E-9-1-1 surcharge.** The activities authorized under this chapter are
5 funded through a special statewide E-9-1-1 surcharge levied on each residential and
6 business telephone exchange line, including private branch exchange lines and Centrex
7 lines, cellular or wireless telecommunications service customers, including prepaid
8 wireless telephone service customers, interconnected voice over Internet protocol service
9 customers and semipublic coin and public access lines. The statewide E-9-1-1 surcharge
10 may not be imposed on more than 25 lines or numbers per customer billing account,
11 except that this limitation does not apply to prepaid wireless telephone services. In the
12 case of cellular or wireless telecommunications service customers, the place of residence
13 of those customers must be determined according to the sourcing rules for mobile
14 telecommunications services as set forth in Title 36, section 2556. The statewide E-9-1-1
15 surcharge is ~~50¢~~ 45¢ per month per line or number or, in the case of prepaid wireless
16 telephone services, ~~50¢~~ 45¢ per month or 30-day increment of service per customer. The
17 statewide E-9-1-1 surcharge must be collected from the customer on a monthly basis by
18 each local exchange telephone utility, cellular or wireless telecommunications service
19 provider and interconnected voice over Internet protocol service provider and be shown
20 separately as a statewide E-9-1-1 surcharge on the customer's bill, except that in the case
21 of prepaid wireless telephone service, the collection of the statewide E-9-1-1 surcharge is
22 governed by subsection 1-C.

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SUMMARY

24 This bill reduces the statewide E-9-1-1 surcharge from 50¢ per month to 45¢ per
25 month.