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A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THAT THE LOCAL LEVEL E911 ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND THE
STATE E911 COORDINATING COMMITTEE CREATED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER
PRESENT THEIR FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY AUGUST 31, 2010
TO LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES.

WHEREAS, enhanced 911, commonly referred to as "E911",
provides a telecommunications system that automatically
associates a physical address or location with the calling
party's telephone number and routes a call to the closest or
most appropriate public safety answering point, called a
"PSAP", for that address or location; and

WHEREAS, the legislature enacted the Enhanced 911 Act "to
further the public interest and protect the safety, health and
welfare of the people of New Mexico by enabling the
development, installation and operation of enhanced 911

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emergency reporting systems to be operated under shared state and local governmental management and control"; and

WHEREAS, the end-to-end solution, from the time someone calls 911 to when help arrives, involves an immense array of intertwined data; computer, radio and transmission equipment and software; public safety infrastructure; various personnel resources; and a variety of complex, technical and expensive response equipment; and

WHEREAS, the enhanced 911 fund is limited to the costs of providing E911 services but does not include or extend to end-to-end solutions, which are funded by uncoordinated and unreliable federal, state and local funding mechanisms; and

WHEREAS, the consolidation of some PSAPs, the lack of interoperability and an ever-expanding array of public and private technology create challenges to fund and deliver adequately effective E911 services throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, the governor issued Executive Order 2007-005 to establish the local level E911 advisory committee to advise the state on matters that affect the operations of local PSAPs and the emergency response system within New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, the governor issued Executive Order 2007-006 to establish the state E911 coordinating committee to coordinate efforts among state agencies to ensure an end-to-end public safety solution, radio interoperability among responders and coordinated funding; and

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1 WHEREAS, the local level E911 advisory committee has been

2 working on a needs assessment and gap analysis for local

3 governments, and the state E911 coordinating committee has been

4 focusing on the funding needs of a statewide end-to-end

5 emergency response system; and

6 WHEREAS, both the local level E911 advisory committee and

7 the state E911 coordinating committee expect to have their

8 findings and recommendations available by August 31, 2010; and

9 WHEREAS, the science, technology and telecommunications

10 committee has received testimony and made recommendations over

11 several years regarding the technological and financial needs

12 of an E911 system;

13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE

14 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the local level E911 advisory

15 committee and the state E911 coordinating committee be

16 requested to ensure that, in addition to the agencies and other

17 entities with which the committees are required to work by

18 executive order, the committees ensure broad consensus by also

19 working with the department of finance and administration, the

20 taxation and revenue department, the homeland security and

21 emergency management department, the department of information

22 technology, the New Mexico state police, the department of

23 public safety, the public regulation commission and the

24 department of health; and

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the local level E911 advisory

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committee and the state E911 coordinating committee review the

Enhanced 911 Act, the Emergency Medical Services Act, the

Homeland Security and Emergency Management Department Act, the

Department of Information Technology Act, the Public Safety

Telecommunicator Training Act and other relevant statutes or

rules with a focus on identifying conflicts, overlaps or

uncoordinated policies as well as funding considerations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the local level E911 advisory

committee and the state E911 coordinating committee jointly

present their findings and recommendations to the science,

technology and telecommunications committee or its successor

committee, the legislative finance committee and the office of

the governor by August 31, 2010; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be

transmitted to the local level E911 advisory committee, the

state E911 coordinating committee, the department of finance

and administration, the taxation and revenue department, the

homeland security and emergency management department, the

department of information technology, the New Mexico state

police, the department of public safety, the public regulation

commission and the department of health.

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