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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7648**  
**BILL NUMBER: HB 1377**

**DATE PREPARED:** Feb 17, 1999  
**BILL AMENDED:** Feb 16, 1999

**SUBJECT:** Enhanced emergency telephone system fees.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED:**     **GENERAL**  
                              **DEDICATED**  
                              **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** Local

**Summary of Legislation:** (Amended) This bill requires a county that has more than one independently operated public safety access point to distribute the balance of the county's emergency telephone system fund, after the costs of the enhanced emergency telephone system have been paid, to each unit in the county in an amount proportional to the amount of the fund contributed to the fund by service users in the unit, as determined by the county auditor. It provides that the distributions are made quarterly and shall be at least fifty percent of the proportional amount contributed, after the costs of the system have been paid. It also requires that the funds distributed may only be used for purposes allowed for the county emergency telephone system fund.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 1999.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** (Revised) This bill provides that on a quarterly basis, the county is to distribute at least 50% of the proportional amount of the balance of the county's emergency telephone system fund back to each unit in the county in an amount proportional to the amount of the contributed by services providers in the unit, as determined by the county auditor. This provision applies to county's with more than one independently operated public safety access point.

Currently, the balance in a county's emergency telephone system fund remains with the county. A unit may only use the money for the following purposes:

- (1) to pay for the lease, purchase, or maintenance of enhanced emergency telephone equipment, including necessary computer hardware, software, and data base provisioning;
- (2) to pay the rates associated with the service suppliers' enhanced emergency telephone system

network services; and  
(3) to pay the personnel expenses of the emergency telephone system.

The fiscal impact of this bill is indeterminable because each county charges a different monthly fee and the balance in each county emergency telephone system fund is different.

**Explanation of Local Revenues:** See “Explanation of Local Expenditures.”

**State Agencies Affected:**

**Local Agencies Affected:** Counties; Units with an enhanced emergency telephone system.

**Information Sources:**