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# Fiscal Note

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| <b>Drafting Number:</b> | LLS 24-0034           | <b>Date:</b>           | January 17, 2024                                      |
| <b>Prime Sponsors:</b>  | Rep. Lieder; Armagost | <b>Bill Status:</b>    | House Trans., Hous. & Local Govt.                     |
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**Bill Topic:** **DEFINED PERSONNEL FOR EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SERVICES**

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**Summary of Fiscal Impact:** **No fiscal impact.** The bill defines "emergency communications specialist" and clarifies authorized uses of the emergency telephone charge, the 911 surcharge, and the prepaid wireless 911 charge. It is assessed as having no impact on state and local governments.

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**Appropriation Summary:** No appropriation is required.

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**Fiscal Note Status:** The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

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## Summary of Legislation

The bill defines "emergency communications specialist" as a first responder whose duties include:

- receiving, triaging, processing, transmitting, or dispatching emergency and nonemergency 911 calls for public safety services by telephone, radio, or other communication device;
- tracking, processing, and transmitting relevant information from the public and other resources to field responders; or,
- providing emergency medical dispatch.

The bill also clarifies the currently authorized use of the emergency telephone charge, the 911 surcharge, and the prepaid wireless 911 charge. These fees – used for training for public safety answering point personnel (PSAP) – must also include training for emergency communications specialists, technical support PSAP personnel, and other personnel essential for the provision of emergency telephone services, emergency notification services, and emergency medical dispatch.

## Assessment of No Fiscal Impact

The bill establishes the definition of "emergency communications specialist" and extends the use of various fees to the training of emergency communications specialists and any essential personnel necessary for emergency dispatch services. The bill does not alter the Department of Revenue's processes for the collection and administration of these fees. This results in no

change to state or local government revenue or expenditures. For this reason, the bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

## Effective Date

The bill takes effect 90 days following adjournment of the General Assembly sine die, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

## State and Local Government Contacts

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| Counties            | Information Technology | Public Safety |
| Regulatory Agencies | Revenue                |               |

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