
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO WIRELESS ENHANCED 911.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The auditor shall conduct a financial and
2 management audit of the wireless enhanced 911 fund to address
3 the following issues:

4 (1) The role the wireless enhanced 911 board should play
5 in assisting the counties in deployment or operation
6 of wireless enhanced 911 in light of the department of
7 health's duties assigned pursuant to paragraph 321-
8 224(a)(7) and 321-225(a)(6), Hawaii Revised Statutes,
9 and the responsibility of the county councils to
10 determine whether provision of wireless enhanced 911
11 services is a budget priority within their respective
12 jurisdictions;

13 (2) Whether the statutory authority to reimburse the
14 public safety answering points and the wireless
15 service providers for costs incurred to deploy
16 wireless enhanced 911 services includes, or should
17 include:



- 1 (A) The ongoing cost of operating 911 call centers,
2 including trunking line charges, answering
3 position charges and long distance calling
4 charges assessed by the local exchange carrier;
- 5 (B) The cost incurred for acquiring personnel
6 services by contract that would be prohibited if
7 acquired by hiring personnel; and
- 8 (C) The cost of equipment that may also be used to
9 process wireline 911 calls;
- 10 (3) Whether the wireless enhanced 911 board should be
11 expending funds from the wireless enhanced 911 fund to
12 purchase products for use by the public safety
13 answering points rather than reimbursing the counties
14 for those purchases;
- 15 (4) Whether the wireless enhanced 911 fund serves the
16 purpose for which it was created and reflects a clear
17 link between the benefit sought and charges made upon
18 the users or beneficiaries of the program, as opposed
19 to serving primarily as a means to provide the program
20 or users with an automatic means of support which is
21 removed from the normal budget and appropriations
22 process; and



1 (5) Any other issues pertinent to the audit revealed by
2 the auditor's review of the wireless enhanced 911
3 board's records and interviews of its personnel.

4 The auditor shall submit a report to the legislature no
5 later than twenty days prior to the convening of the regular
6 session of 2009, containing findings and recommendations,
7 including any proposed legislation and identifying alternative
8 forms of funding concerning how the wireless enhanced 911 fund
9 has been managed and the moneys in the fund are expended.

10 SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect on June 29, 2008.



Report Title:

Wireless Enhanced 911; Surcharge

Description:

Requires the Auditor to perform a financial and management audit of the wireless enhanced 911 fund. (HB3367 HD2)

