
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ENHANCED 911 SERVICES.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 138-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (h) to read as follows:

3 "(h) The board or its chairperson, with the approval of
4 the board, may retain independent, third-party accounting firms,
5 consultants, or other third party to:

6 (1) Create reports, make payments into the fund, process
7 checks, and make distributions from the fund, as
8 directed by the board and as allowed by this chapter;
9 and

10 (2) Perform administrative duties necessary to administer
11 the fund or oversee operations of the board, including
12 providing technical advisory support[-]; provided that
13 no third-party accounting firm, consultant, or other
14 third party hired to perform these administrative
15 duties may be retained if the accounting firm,
16 consultant, or other third party, either directly or
17 indirectly, has a conflict of interest or is



1 affiliated with the management of or owns a pecuniary
2 interest in any entity subject to the provisions of
3 this chapter."

4 SECTION 2. Section 138-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
5 amended to read as follows:

6 "~~§~~138-3~~§~~ **Wireless enhanced 911 fund.** There is
7 established outside the state treasury a special fund, to be
8 known as the wireless enhanced 911 fund, to be administered by
9 the board. The fund shall consist of amounts collected under
10 section 138-4. Moneys paid into the fund are not general fund
11 revenues of the State. The board shall place the funds in an
12 interest-bearing account at any federally insured financial
13 institution, separate and apart from the general fund of the
14 State. Moneys in the fund shall be expended exclusively by the
15 board for the purposes of ensuring adequate cost recovery for
16 the deployment, improvement, and maintenance of phase I and
17 phase II wireless enhanced 911 service, including costs expended
18 by the wireline provider for such purposes, and for expenses of
19 administering the fund."

20 SECTION 3. Section 138-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
21 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:



1 "(b) The effective date of the surcharge shall be July 1,
2 2004. The rate of the surcharge shall be set at [~~66~~] 29 cents
3 per month for each commercial mobile radio service connection.
4 The surcharge shall have uniform application and shall be
5 imposed on each commercial mobile radio service connection
6 operating within the [~~State~~] state except:

- 7 (1) Connections billed to federal, state, and county
8 government entities; and
- 9 (2) Prepaid connections."

10 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
11 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

12 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



Report Title:

Enhanced 911 Services

Description:

Lowers costs for cell phone subscribers by reducing the Wireless Enhanced 911 surcharge from 66 to 29 cents. Places limits on expenditures from Wireless Enhanced 911 Fund. Adds conflict of interest provisions. (HB1014 HD1)

