

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

Currently, Chapter 771, Health and Safety Code, limits the use of 9-1-1 revenue to 9-1-1 call delivery. Other costs not directly attributable to 9-1-1 call delivery are not allowed. H.B. 3491 would allow the Commission on State Emergency Communications (CSEC) to provide the most populous county within a region the ability to fund other services that are closely tied to operating a 9-1-1 system that fall outside of call delivery.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Section 771.075, Health and Safety Code, to make a conforming change.

SECTION 2. Amends Subchapter D, Chapter 771, Health and Safety Code, by adding Section 771.0751, as follows:

Sec. 771.0751. USE OF REVENUE IN CERTAIN COUNTIES. (a) Provides that this section applies only to the use of fees and surcharges collected under this subchapter in the county that has the highest population within a region subject to this subchapter.

(b) Authorizes fees and surcharges collected under this subchapter, in addition to use authorized or required by Section 771.072(e) or (f), 771.073(e), or 771.075, to be used for any costs considered necessary by the Commission on State Emergency Communications and attributable to designing a 9-1-1 system or obtaining and maintaining equipment and personnel necessary to establish and operate a public safety answering point and related operations or other related answering points and operations.

SECTION 3. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2003.