

1-1 By: Wentworth S.B. No. 1536  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 14, 2003; March 20, 2003, read  
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Intergovernmental  
1-4 Relations; May 1, 2003, reported favorably by the following vote:  
1-5 Yeas 5, Nays 0; May 1, 2003, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to use of certain 9-1-1 fees and surcharges in certain  
1-9 counties.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Section 771.075, Health and Safety Code, is  
1-12 amended to read as follows:

1-13 Sec. 771.075. USE OF REVENUE. Except as provided by Section  
1-14 771.0751, 771.072(e), 771.072(f), or 771.073(e), fees and  
1-15 surcharges collected under this subchapter may be used only for  
1-16 planning, development, provision, and enhancement of the  
1-17 effectiveness of 9-1-1 service as approved by the commission.

1-18 SECTION 2. Subchapter D, Chapter 771, Health and Safety  
1-19 Code, is amended by adding Section 771.0751 to read as follows:

1-20 Sec. 771.0751. USE OF REVENUE IN CERTAIN COUNTIES.

1-21 (a) This section applies only to the use of fees and surcharges  
1-22 collected under this subchapter in a county subject to this  
1-23 subchapter with a population of at least 700,000.

1-24 (b) In addition to the use authorized or required by Section  
1-25 771.072(e) or (f), 771.073(e), or 771.075, fees and surcharges  
1-26 collected under this subchapter may be used for any costs  
1-27 considered necessary by the commission and attributable to:

1-28 (1) designing a 9-1-1 system; or

1-29 (2) obtaining and maintaining equipment and personnel  
1-30 necessary to establish and operate:

1-31 (A) a public safety answering point and related  
1-32 operations; or

1-33 (B) other related answering points and  
1-34 operations.

1-35 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
1-36 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
1-37 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
1-38 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
1-39 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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