

**HOUSE BILL NO. 160**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVE TILTON

Introduced: 3/8/17

Referred: Community and Regional Affairs, Finance

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act relating to a municipal enhanced 911 surcharge."**

2 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

3 \* **Section 1.** AS 29.10.200(37) is amended to read:

4 (37) AS 29.35.131 - 29.35.137 (enhanced 911 system **and enhanced**  
5 **911 surcharge**);

6 \* **Sec. 2.** AS 29.35.131(i) is amended to read:

7 (i) A municipality may only use the enhanced 911 surcharge revenue for **the**  
8 **establishment, installation, operation, support, and maintenance of an emergency**  
9 **communications system and the necessary infrastructure, equipment, data, and**  
10 **personnel to operate the system. In this subsection, "emergency communications**  
11 **system" means a network that is used by responders, from initiation to cessation**  
12 **of the contact, to communicate in emergency situations through an enhanced 911**  
13 **system, dispatch operations, call transfers, and other emergency communications**  
14 **systems and devices** [THOSE COSTS OF THE ENHANCED 911 SYSTEM THAT  
15 ARE AUTHORIZED IN THIS SUBSECTION. THE SURCHARGE REVENUE

1 MAY NOT BE USED FOR ANY CAPITAL OR OPERATIONAL COSTS FOR  
2 EMERGENCY RESPONSES THAT OCCUR AFTER THE CALL IS DISPATCHED  
3 TO THE EMERGENCY RESPONDER. THE SURCHARGE REVENUE MAY NOT  
4 BE USED FOR CONSTRUCTING BUILDINGS, LEASING BUILDINGS,  
5 MAINTAINING BUILDINGS, OR RENOVATING BUILDINGS, EXCEPT FOR  
6 THE MODIFICATION OF AN EXISTING BUILDING TO THE EXTENT THAT IS  
7 NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN THE SECURITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL  
8 INTEGRITY OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINT AND EQUIPMENT  
9 ROOMS. THE SURCHARGE REVENUE MAY BE USED FOR THE FOLLOWING  
10 COSTS TO THE EXTENT THE COSTS ARE DIRECTLY ATTRIBUTABLE TO  
11 THE ESTABLISHMENT, MAINTENANCE, AND OPERATION OF AN  
12 ENHANCED 911 SYSTEM:

13 (1) THE ACQUISITION, IMPLEMENTATION, AND  
14 MAINTENANCE OF PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINT EQUIPMENT AND  
15 911 SERVICE FEATURES;

16 (2) THE ACQUISITION, INSTALLATION, AND MAINTENANCE  
17 OF OTHER EQUIPMENT, INCLUDING CALL ANSWERING EQUIPMENT,  
18 CALL TRANSFER EQUIPMENT, AUTOMATIC NUMBER IDENTIFICATION  
19 CONTROLLERS AND DISPLAYS, AUTOMATIC LOCATION IDENTIFICATION  
20 CONTROLLERS AND DISPLAYS, STATION INSTRUMENTS, 911  
21 TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS, TELEPRINTERS, LOGGING  
22 RECORDERS, INSTANT PLAYBACK RECORDERS, TELEPHONE DEVICES  
23 FOR THE DEAF, PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINT BACKUP POWER  
24 SYSTEMS, CONSOLES, AUTOMATIC CALL DISTRIBUTORS, AND  
25 HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE INTERFACES FOR COMPUTER-AIDED  
26 DISPATCH SYSTEMS;

27 (3) THE SALARIES AND ASSOCIATED EXPENSES FOR 911  
28 CALL TAKERS FOR THAT PORTION OF TIME SPENT TAKING AND  
29 TRANSFERRING 911 CALLS;

30 (4) TRAINING COSTS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING  
31 POINT CALL TAKERS IN THE PROPER METHODS AND TECHNIQUES USED

1 IN TAKING AND TRANSFERRING 911 CALLS;

2 (5) EXPENSES REQUIRED TO DEVELOP AND MAINTAIN ALL  
3 INFORMATION NECESSARY TO PROPERLY INFORM CALL TAKERS AS TO  
4 LOCATION ADDRESS, TYPE OF EMERGENCY, AND OTHER INFORMATION  
5 DIRECTLY RELEVANT TO THE 911 CALL-TAKING AND TRANSFERRING  
6 FUNCTION, INCLUDING AUTOMATIC LOCATION IDENTIFICATION AND  
7 AUTOMATIC NUMBER IDENTIFICATION DATABASES].

8 \* **Sec. 3.** AS 29.35.131(j) and 29.35.131(k) are repealed.