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HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

(11)

Date Referred: March 24, 1993

FURTHER REFERRALS:

Date of Committee Action: 4/25/93

The FINANCE Committee considered:

CSSB 97(FIN) am

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 97(FIN) am

ENHANCED 911 SYSTEMS

"An Act relating to enhanced 911 emergency reporting systems; and providing for an effective date."

RECOMMENDATIONS:

be replaced with H CS CS SB 97 (Fin)

the same title
 a new title

have attached amendments(s)

do pass

do not pass

no recommendations

individual recommendations

additional referral to the _____ Committee

ADOPTS: _____ letter of Intent

ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(s): (Dept)

APPROVES PREVIOUS: (Dept/Date)

fiscal impact _____

fiscal note(s) _____

zero fiscal note _____

zero fiscal note(s) _____

SIGNING DO PASS	DP	OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS	DNP	NR	AM
Ronald J. Hanson	X	SP Machean		X	
Mark Hanley	X	Lynn Martin		X	
Jan Somers	X	Leah K. Parnell		X	
		Tam Brown		✓	
		Greg Theofanis		X	
		Richard Foster		X	



 CHAIRMAN'S SIGNATURE

FISCAL NOTE

No. 1

STATE OF ALASKA
1993 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Bill Version: SB 97

(S) Publish Date: 2-24-93

Revision Date: _____

Title: An Act relating to enhanced 911 emergency reporting systems

Sponsor: Pearce

Requestor: _____

Department Affected: Commerce and Economic Development

BRU: Alaska Public Utilities Commission

Component: _____

COMPONENT SERIAL NO. _____

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES:

OPERATING	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98	FY 99
PERSONAL SERVICES	0	0	0	0	0	0
TRAVEL	0	0	0	0	0	0
CONTRACTUAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUPPLIES	0	0	0	0	0	0
EQUIPMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0
LAND & STRUCTURES	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRANTS, CLAIMS	0	0	0	0	0	0
MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL OPERATING	0	0	0	0	0	0

CAPITAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
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REVENUE FUND SOURCE:	0	0	0	0	0	0
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FUNDING:

1002 Federal Receipts	0	0	0	0	0	0
1003 GF Match	0	0	0	0	0	0
1004 GF	0	0	0	0	0	0
1005 GF/Program Receipts	0	0	0	0	0	0
1006 GF/MHTA	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	0	0	0	0	0	0
PART-TIME	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEMPORARY	0	0	0	0	0	0

Estimate of current year (FY 93) impact: 0

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)
See Separate Page

Changes in CS SB 97 (CAC) have no fiscal impact. This fiscal note is appropriate.

2/27

date

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Prepared by: Robert A. Lohr, Executive Director

Division: Alaska Public Utilities Commission

Phone: _____

Date: Changes in CS SB 97 (Fin.)

Approved by Commissioner: Paul Fuhs

Agency: Commerce and Economic Development

Date: _____

3-17-93

date

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HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 97()
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
EIGHTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY

Offered:
Referred:

Sponsor(s): SENATOR PEARCE

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to enhanced 911 emergency reporting systems; and providing for
2 an effective date."

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

4 * Section 1. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE. (a) The legislature finds that

5 (1) the elderly, the young, and victims of crime are often at risk, unable to
6 assist themselves, and are frequently unable to explain directions to the location of an
7 emergency situation;

8 (2) the basic 911 telephone emergency number is currently available in some
9 communities in the state, but an enhanced 911 system is currently available to only a limited
10 number of Alaskans;

11 (3) an enhanced 911 telephone emergency system provides

12 (A) expansion of the benefits of the basic 911 emergency telephone
13 number;

14 (B) faster response time, which minimizes the loss of life and property;

- 1 (C) automatic routing to the appropriate emergency response unit;
2 (D) immediate visual display of the location and telephone number of
3 the caller; and
4 (E) curtailment of abuses of the emergency system by documenting
5 callers;

6 (4) more communities in the state could make efficient use of the enhanced
7 911 telephone emergency system if the communities had adequate funding available.

8 (b) It is the purpose of this legislation to

9 (1) establish broad protections for acquiring, establishing, operating, and
10 maintaining enhanced 911 systems;

11 (2) establish methods for the payment of costs associated with those activities;
12 and

13 (3) enable the development, installation, and operation of enhanced 911
14 emergency reporting systems to be operated under local governmental management and
15 control.

16 * Sec. 2. AS 09.65.070(d) is amended to read:

17 (d) No action for damages may be brought against a municipality or any of its
18 agents, officers, or employees if the claim

19 (1) is based on a failure of the municipality, or its agents, officers, or
20 employees, when the municipality is neither owner nor lessee of the property involved,

21 (A) to inspect property for a violation of any statute, regulation
22 or ordinance, or a hazard to health or safety;

23 (B) to discover a violation of any statute, regulation, or
24 ordinance, or a hazard to health or safety if an inspection of property is made;
25 or -

26 (C) to abate a violation of any statute, regulation or ordinance,
27 or a hazard to health or safety discovered on property inspected;

28 (2) is based upon the exercise or performance or the failure to exercise
29 or perform a discretionary function or duty by a municipality or its agents, officers,
30 or employees, whether or not the discretion involved is abused;

31 (3) is based upon the grant, issuance, refusal, suspension, delay or

1 denial of a license, permit, appeal, approval, exception, variance, or other entitlement,
2 or a rezoning;

3 (4) is based on the exercise or performance during the course of
4 gratuitous extension of municipal services on an extraterritorial basis; or

5 (5) is based upon the exercise or performance of a duty or function
6 upon the request of, or by the terms of an agreement or contract with, the state to meet
7 emergency public safety requirements;

8 (6) is based on the exercise or performance of a duty in connection
9 with an enhanced 911 emergency system and is not based on an intentional act
10 of misconduct or on an act of gross negligence.

11 * Sec. 3. AS 29.10.200 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

12 (51) AS 29.35.131 (enhanced 911 system).

13 * Sec. 4. AS 29.35 is amended by adding new sections to read:

14 Sec. 29.35.131. 911 SURCHARGE. (a) A municipality may, by resolution
15 or ordinance, elect to provide an enhanced 911 system at public safety answering
16 points, may purchase or lease the enhanced 911 equipment or service required to
17 establish or maintain an enhanced 911 system at public safety answering points from
18 a local exchange telephone company or other qualified vendor, and may impose a 911
19 surcharge, in an amount to be determined by the municipality, on all local exchange
20 access lines in the area to be served by the enhanced 911 system. For a municipality
21 with a population of 100,000 or more, the surcharge may not exceed 50 cents per
22 month per local exchange access line. For a municipality with fewer than 100,000
23 people, the surcharge may not exceed 75 cents per month per local exchange access
24 line. The area served by a system may be all of a city, all of a unified municipality,
25 or all or part of the area within a borough and may include the extraterritorial
26 jurisdiction of a municipality in accordance with AS 29.35.020. The governing body
27 of a municipality shall review the 911 surcharge annually to determine whether the
28 current level of the surcharge is adequate, excessive, or insufficient to meet anticipated
29 enhanced 911 system needs. The municipality may only use the surcharge for the
30 enhanced 911 system.

31 (b) A local exchange telephone company providing service in a municipality

1 that has imposed a 911 surcharge shall bill and collect the surcharge from customers
2 in the designated 911 service area. A local exchange telephone customer may not be
3 subject to more than one 911 surcharge on a local exchange access line. A customer
4 that has more than 100 local exchange access lines from a local exchange telephone
5 company in the municipality is liable for the 911 surcharge only on 100 local exchange
6 access lines.

7 (c) A local exchange telephone company shall include the 911 surcharge,
8 stated separately and included in the total amount owed, in the bills delivered to its
9 customers. The Alaska Public Utilities Commission may not consider the 911
10 surcharge as revenue of the local exchange telephone company and has no jurisdiction
11 over an enhanced 911 system. A local exchange service customer is liable for
12 payment of the 911 surcharge in the amounts billed by the local exchange telephone
13 company until the amounts have been paid to the telephone company.

14 (d) A local exchange telephone company that has collected the 911 surcharge
15 shall remit the amounts collected to the municipality no later than 60 days after the
16 end of the month in which the amount was collected. From each remittance made in
17 a timely manner under this subsection, the local exchange telephone company is
18 entitled to deduct and retain the greater of one percent of the collected amount or \$150
19 as the cost of administration for collecting the 911 surcharge.

20 (e) A local exchange telephone company is not obligated to take legal action
21 to enforce collection of the 911 surcharge. However, if a local exchange telephone
22 company is attempting to collect an unpaid debt from a local exchange service
23 customer, the telephone company shall also attempt to collect any unpaid 911
24 surcharge that the customer owes. If a customer pays a portion of a bill that includes
25 a 911 surcharge, the amount paid shall be prorated between the telephone company and
26 the 911 surcharge. The company shall annually provide the municipality with a list
27 of the amounts due for the nonpayment of 911 emergency surcharges, together with
28 the names and addresses of those customers who carry a balance that can be
29 determined by the company to be for the nonpayment of the 911 emergency
30 surcharges. The local exchange telephone company is not liable for uncollected
31 amounts.

1 (f) The municipality may, at its own expense, require an annual audit of a
2 local exchange telephone company's books and records concerning the collection and
3 remittance of the 911 surcharge.

4 (g) A village, as defined in AS 09.65.070(e), or a public corporation
5 established by a municipality has the powers granted to a municipality under this
6 section.

7 (h) This section applies to home rule and general law municipalities.

8 Sec. 29.35.133. IMMUNITY. (a) The establishment, funding, use, operation,
9 or maintenance of enhanced 911 systems and all activities associated with those actions
10 are specifically found to be within the ambit of AS 09.50.250(1) and
11 AS 09.65.070(d)(6). Except for intentional acts of misconduct or gross negligence, a
12 service supplier, local exchange telephone company, or mobile telephone company,
13 including a cellular service company, and their employees and agents, are also immune
14 from liability that might otherwise be incurred in the course of installing, training,
15 maintaining, or providing enhanced 911 systems or transmitting or receiving calls on
16 the system.

17 (b) An individual, telephone company, or employee of a telephone company
18 who operates or maintains an emergency 911 service is not liable for civil damages
19 as a result of an act, omission, failure of service, or incorrect information done or
20 given in good faith.

21 (c) In this section, "service supplier" means a person that provides or offers
22 to provide telecommunications equipment or services necessary for the establishment,
23 maintenance, or operation of an enhanced 911 system.

24 Sec. 29.35.135. WAIVER OF PRIVACY BY LOCAL EXCHANGE
25 TELEPHONE COMPANY SUBSCRIBERS. Local exchange telephone company
26 subscribers waive the privacy afforded by unlisted or unpublished telephone numbers
27 to the extent that the name and address associated with the telephone number may be
28 furnished to the enhanced 911 system for call routing or for automatic retrieval of
29 location information in response to a call initiated to the system.

30 Sec. 29.35.137. DEFINITIONS. In AS 29.35.131 - 29.35.137,

31 (1) "911 service area" or "enhanced 911 service area" means the area

1 within a municipality's jurisdiction that has been designated to receive enhanced 911
2 service; the designation of an area to receive an enhanced 911 system under
3 AS 42.30.420(a) does not designate the area as a "service area" for purposes of art. X,
4 sec. 5, Constitution of the State of Alaska;

5 (2) "enhanced 911 equipment" means the equipment dedicated to the
6 operation of, or use in, the establishment, operation, or maintenance of an enhanced
7 911 system, including customer premises equipment, automatic number identification
8 or automatic location identification controllers and display units, printers, cathode ray
9 tubes, recorders, software, and other essential communication equipment required by
10 the system;

11 (3) "enhanced 911 system" or "system" means a telephone system
12 consisting of network, database, and enhanced 911 equipment that uses the single three
13 digit number, 911, for reporting a police, fire, medical, or other emergency situation,
14 and that enables the users of a public telephone system to reach a public safety
15 answering point to report emergencies by dialing 911; an enhanced 911 system
16 includes the personnel required to acquire, install, operate, and maintain the system;

17 (4) "local exchange access line" means a telephone line that connects
18 a local exchange service customer to the local exchange telephone company switching
19 office and has the capability of reaching local public safety agencies, but does not
20 include a line used by a carrier to provide interexchange services;

21 (5) "local exchange service" means the transmission of two-way
22 interactive switched voice communications furnished by a local exchange telephone
23 company within a local exchange area, including access to enhanced 911 systems; in
24 this paragraph, "local exchange area" means a geographic area encompassing one or
25 more political subdivisions as described in maps, tariffs, or rate schedules filed with
26 the Alaska Public Utilities Commission, where local exchange rates apply;

27 (6) "local exchange telephone company" means a telephone utility
28 certificated by the Alaska Public Utilities Commission to provide local exchange
29 service;

30 (7) "municipality" has the meaning given in AS 29.71.800 and includes
31 a public corporation established by a municipality and a village as that term is defined

1 in AS 09.65.070(e);

2 (8) "public safety answering point" means a 24-hour local jurisdiction
3 communications facility that receives 911 service calls and directly dispatches
4 emergency response services or that relays calls to the appropriate public or private
5 safety agency.

6 * Sec. 5. AS 29.35.131(a) is repealed and reenacted to read:

7 (a) A municipality may, by resolution or ordinance, elect to provide an
8 enhanced 911 system at public safety answering points and may purchase or lease the
9 enhanced 911 equipment or service required to establish or maintain an enhanced 911
10 system at public safety answering points from a local exchange telephone company or
11 other qualified vendor. The area served by a system may be all of a city, all of a
12 unified municipality, or all or part of the area within a borough and may include the
13 extraterritorial jurisdiction of a municipality in accordance with AS 29.35.020.

14 * Sec. 6. AS 29.35.131(b), 29.35.131(c), 29.35.131(d), 29.35.131(e), 29.35.131(f), and
15 29.35.137(4) are repealed July 1, 1996.

16 * Sec. 7. Except as provided in sec. 8 of this Act, this Act takes effect immediately under
17 AS 01.10.070(c).

18 * Sec. 8. Sections 5 and 6 of this Act take effect July 1, 1996.

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Senator Drue Pearce
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Sponsor Statement for CS for Senate Bill 97 (Fin)

Mr. Chairman and members of the Committee ... Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 97 (Fin) will enable emergency dispatchers to better assist people who call 911 when they find themselves in life threatening situations. Victims of crime, the young, and the elderly are often unable to give adequate directions when they dial 911. If enacted, SB-97 would create a mechanism to fund enhanced 911 emergency reporting systems. The bill is permissive.

Enhanced 911 emergency reporting systems provide an expansion of the benefits of the basic 911 emergency telephone number. Among the benefits are:

- 1) Immediate visual display of the location and telephone number of the caller.
- 2) Automatic routing to the appropriate emergency response unit.
- 3) Faster response time.
- 4) Curtailment of abuses of the emergency system by documenting callers.

This bill gives immunity from liability, except for intentional acts of misconduct or gross negligence, to municipalities and their suppliers of 911 services. The bill, for the purposes of a dispatcher furnishing name and address information to emergency response units, waives the telephone customer's privacy rights normally afforded by unlisted phone numbers.

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SECTIONAL ANALYSIS OF CS SB 97 (FIN) ENHANCED 911 EMERGENCY SYSTEMS

Section 1:

Findings & Purpose.

Section 2:

Amends AS 09.65.070(d), SUITS AGAINST INCORPORATED UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, to provide municipalities immunity from suit for the exercise of a duty in connection with an enhanced 911 system.

Section 3:

Amends AS 29.10.200, LIMITATION OF HOME RULE POWERS, to add AS 29.35.131, ENHANCED 911 SYSTEM, as a new paragraph. This provides that the Enhanced 911 System provisions apply to home rule municipalities as a prohibition on acting otherwise than as provided for in AS 29.35.131.

Section 4:

Amends AS 29.35, MUNICIPAL POWERS AND DUTIES, by adding 4 new sections:

- 29.35.131 - 911 Surcharge.
- 29.35.133 - Immunity.
- 29.35.135 - Waiver of Privacy By Local Exchange Telephone Company Subscribers.
- 29.35.137 - Definitions.

29.35.131: 911 Surcharge

Allows municipalities to elect to provide an enhanced 911 system and impose a surcharge, collectable through the local telephone exchange's billing system, to meet only the costs of the system. This surcharge is capped at 50 cents for municipalities with 100,000 or more people, and 75 cents for municipalities with fewer than 100,000 people.

In a municipality which has elected to provide this system, the local exchange telephone company shall bill and collect the surcharge, which shall be paid to the municipality no later than 60 days from the end of the month in which it is collected. The surcharge may not be considered revenue of the local exchange company. If a customer only pays a portion of his or her bill, the amount paid shall be prorated between the surcharge and telephone bill. From each remittance to the municipality, the local exchange company may deduct the greater of one percent of the collected amount or \$150 for the cost of collection.

A local exchange company is not legally obligated to take legal action to enforce collection of the surcharge, but if the company is attempting to collect an unpaid debt from a customer, it shall also attempt to collect any unpaid 911 surcharge.

29.35.133: Immunity

Except for intentional acts of misconduct or gross negligence, a service supplier, local exchange telephone company, and their employees and agents, are immune from liability.

29.35.135: Waiver of Privacy By Local Telephone Company
Subscribers

Local telephone subscribers waive the privacy afforded by unlisted or unpublished phone numbers to the extent that the name and address may be furnished to the enhanced 911 system for routing and response.

29.35.137: Definitions

Section 5:

Immediate Effective Date.

Introduced by: Alaska Fire Chief's Association
Date: September 25, 1992

RESOLUTION 92-02J

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE PROVIDE SOURCES OF FUNDING FOR THE ENHANCED 911 SYSTEM SIMILAR TO LEGISLATION INTRODUCED DURING THE SECOND SESSION OF THE SEVENTEENTH ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE.

WHEREAS, expansion of the benefits of the basic 911 emergency telephone number provides faster response time, which minimizes the loss of fire and property, and

WHEREAS, automatic routing to the appropriate emergency response unit occurs, and

WHEREAS, immediate visual display of the location and telephone number of the caller appears which curtails the abuses of the emergency system by documenting callers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ALASKA FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION AND ALASKA STATE FIREFIGHTER'S ASSOCIATION:

- 1) that the Alaska State Legislature is urged to provide funding sources, either through local user fees, or surcharges, to fund the enhanced 911 systems statewide.

ADOPTED, this 25th day of September, 1992.

Andy Postishek
Andy Postishek, President AFCA

James Eakin
James Eakin, President ASFA

ATTEST:

Jodie Hettrick
Jodie Hettrick, Secretary

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FROM THE
ALASKA FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION



TOM FINK
MAYOR

ANCHORAGE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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February 11, 1993

The Honorable Drue Pearce
Alaska State Legislature
Senate
P.O. Box V
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Senator Pearce,

The Anchorage Police Department supports Senate Bill 97. This bill will allow all Alaskans to receive efficient and effective access to emergency service agencies via Enhanced 911 Systems.

Senate Bill 97 provides stable funding for Enhanced 911 Systems throughout the State, thus allowing all jurisdictions the option to provide faster and more effective emergency services to citizens. Any person who dials 911 will receive an appropriate emergency telephone. These Enhanced 911 Systems will also provide access to the speech and hearing impaired through the incorporation of Terminal Devices for the Deaf (TDD).

Senate Bill 97 also provides immunity from liability associated with the installation, operation and maintenance of Enhanced 911 Systems for telephone companies and emergency services telephone operators and dispatchers. This immunity is required, in our opinion, for efficient operation of Enhanced 911 Systems.

We sincerely appreciate your support.

Sincerely,

Kevin M. O'Leary
Kevin M. O'Leary
Chief of Police

ANCHORAGE POLICE DEPARTMENT
LETTER OF SUPPORT

MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE
1993 LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

TITLE: Statewide 911 Legislation

The Municipality of Anchorage would support a bill that provided as a local government option a mechanism for local telephone companies to collect for 911 services areawide.

The cost of the 911 system in Anchorage is born by the taxpayers of the Anchorage Police Service Area (APSA), which currently does not include the Hillside/South Anchorage area. In the past, the Alaska State Troopers have relied upon the Anchorage Police Department's (APD) 911 system in order to provide emergency telephone service to these areas, and have been billed for the services proportionate to calls received for their agency. The Troopers recently notified the Municipality that it will no longer pay these costs and wished to withdraw from 911 participation.

This is an important issue to the MOA, because we do not have a source of revenue to fund the 911 system outside the APSA. Clearly, we cannot provide free emergency communications services to some residents of the Municipality while taxing other residents for the same service. In addition, the Municipality cannot provide 911 services free of charge to the State.

The Municipality also favors eliminating liability for information regarding unlisted phone numbers.

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MAR 11 1993



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7 March 1993

The Honorable Drue Pearce
Alaska State Legislature
P.O. Box V (MS 3100)
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Dear Senator Pearce,

I am writing to express my support for enhanced 911(E911) in Alaska.

Establishing the authority for municipal phone companies to levy a fee to purchase and maintain enhanced 911 systems creates a mechanism for municipalities to provide an important service. Setting user fees to pay for this service seems reasonable and prudent in these times of declining state revenue.

If there is any movement toward a fiscal note to support purchase of the E911 equipment, I would propose that the scope of the legislation be increased to include providing at least basic 911 service for Alaska's residents who are currently unserved at even that basic level.

Thank you for sponsoring this legislation.


Sincerely,

Shawn Newell
Executive Director

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M E M O R A N D U M

To: Senator Suzanne Little
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Representative Mike Navarre
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From:  Philip A. Reeves, Deputy Borough Attorney

Date: March 29, 1993

Subject: Senate Bill 97: The Kenai Peninsula Borough's Position on E-911 Billing Authority

This memorandum has been prepared to present the position of the Kenai Peninsula Borough regarding Senate Bill 97 which as of this date has passed the Senate and moved to the House for consideration. To summarize our position we can simply state that we fully support Senate Bill 97 as passed by the Senate and would hope to see no major changes made in the bill on the House side.

Our major interests concerning this bill are as follows:

1. The major purpose and benefit of this bill is that it allows municipalities to require local telephone utilities to collect user fees for 911 services. Municipalities are currently empowered to operate E-911 systems and could institute user fees -- however, without this legislation the telephone utilities would not be authorized to collect user fees by the Alaska Public Utilities Commission (APUC).

2. Section 4 of the bill, which enacts a new AS 29.35.131, establishes a maximum surcharge of 50 cents per month per access line for a municipality with a population of 100,000 or more, or 75 cents per month per line for less populated municipalities. The E-911 equipment necessary for the municipality of Anchorage is identical to that necessary for the less populated municipalities with the exception of the additional need for extended dedicated phone lines by the geographically larger, more rural boroughs. Thus the capital costs of an E-911 system are actually higher for the less populated municipalities which serve a greater geographic area than they are for the more densely populated municipality of Anchorage (which also has significantly more telephone lines upon which to distribute the charges.) These are the reasons for the different maximum rates.

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March 29, 1993
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It is therefore very important that the proposed 75-cent per line maximum be maintained for municipalities with fewer than 100,000 people.

3. Section 4 (proposed AS 29.35.131) also provides that the local exchange telephone company, while not obligated to take legal action to enforce collection of the 911 surcharge, will use its normal collection procedures (as utilized for collection of the telephone company portion of the bill) for collection efforts against the 911 surcharge amount. It further provides that if a customer pays a only a portion of the bill then the amount paid will be prorated between the 911 surcharge and the telephone company bill. These provisions are crucial as there is no practical mechanism which a borough could utilize to attempt collection of a 75-cent per month fee.

4. Summary. With the tremendous constraints on the Kenai Peninsula Borough's FY 93-94 budget arising from the conjunction of the mill rate cap with the declining assessed valuation of Borough properties and decreased municipal assistance funding, we are necessarily looking more and more to user fees for funding of specialized services. User fees for 911 services are very common throughout the rest of the United States. We urge you to support the passage of Senate Bill 97 through the House and conference committees in substantially the form as passed by the Senate on March 22, 1993. We thank you for your interest and support.

1993 General Government Operating Budget

1993 PRELIMINARY MILL LEVIES

Taxing District	Armside	School District	Fire	Roads	Police	Parks and Recreation	Rdg Safety	Road Debt Service	Total
Anchorage	2.37	6.59	1.82	2.97	3.84	.76	.01	.00	18.36
Upper Hillside/ Rabbit Creek	2.37	6.59	1.82	-	-	.76	.01	-	11.55
Lower Hillside	2.37	6.59	1.82	2.97	-	.76	.01	-	14.52
Spencer/Malden/ Sand Lake/ Oceanview	2.37	6.59	1.82	2.97	3.84	.76	.01	.47	18.83
Girdwood	2.37	6.59	1.40	0.96	-	0.53	-	-	11.85
Glen Alps	2.37	6.59	-	2.46	-	-	-	-	11.42
Eagle River	2.37	6.59	1.82	2.05	3.84	.53	-	-	17.20
Chugiak	2.37	6.59	0.77	2.05	3.84	.53	-	-	16.15
Eagle River/ Chugiak Valley	2.37	6.59	-	2.05	3.84	.53	-	-	15.38
Other Outside Bowl	2.37	6.59	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.96

Mill levies for Limited Road and Street Lighting Service Areas, where applicable, are not included. Other Road Service Areas are included.

NOTE: The 1993 Mill Levies in this appendix are based on preliminary assessed valuation estimates which may change prior to April 1993 when the actual mill rates will be approved by the Assembly.

1993 General Government Operating Budget

**1992 - 1993 MILL LEVY COMPARISONS BY TAXING DISTRICT
(including Anchorage School District)**

<u>Taxing District</u>	<u>1992 Actual</u>	<u>1993 Preliminary</u>	<u>Increase (Decrease)</u>
Anchorage	17.98	18.36	0.38
* Upper Hillside/Rabbit Creek	10.93	11.55	0.62
Lower Hillside	14.15	14.52	0.37
Spenard/Muldoon/Sand Lake/Oceanview	18.33	18.83	0.50
Girdwood	11.42	11.85	0.43
Glen Alps	11.04	11.42	0.38
Eagle River	16.52	17.20	0.68
Chugiak	15.78	16.15	0.37
* Eagle River/Chugiak Valley	14.76	15.38	0.62
Other Outside Bowl	8.41	8.96	0.55

* Mill levies for Limited Road Service Areas and Street Lighting Service Areas, where applicable, are not included. Other Road Service Areas are included.

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1993 General Government Operating Budget

1984-1993 MILL LEVY TRENDS

ACTUALS ←
 FORECAST

Taxing District	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993
Anchorage (Former City)	9.91	9.40	10.18	13.39	16.41	18.62	18.47	17.96	17.98	18.56
Upper Hillside *	6.55	6.33	6.60	8.81	10.65	11.99	11.45	10.58	10.93	11.55
Lower Hillside	7.80	7.42	7.83	10.40	12.75	14.45	14.46	13.83	14.15	14.52
Spenard	10.10	9.59	10.04	13.26	16.18	18.33	18.45	18.15	18.33	18.83
Girdwood	6.99	6.28	6.79	8.92	10.61	11.72	11.75	10.56	11.42	11.85
Glenn Alps	5.41	5.38	5.44	8.08	10.14	11.76	10.72	10.02	11.04	11.42
Sand Lake	10.10	9.59	10.04	13.26	16.18	18.33	18.45	18.15	18.33	18.83
Huldoen	10.10	9.59	10.04	13.26	16.18	18.33	18.45	18.15	18.33	18.83
Rabbit Creek *	6.55	6.33	6.60	8.81	10.65	11.99	11.45	10.58	10.93	11.55
Eagle River	8.18	8.55	8.85	11.85	14.10	16.01	15.30	15.29	16.52	17.20
Chugiak	7.00	7.53	7.78	11.05	12.85	15.04	14.35	14.21	15.78	16.15
Greenview	10.10	9.59	10.04	13.26	16.18	18.33	18.45	18.81	18.33	18.83
Eagle River/ Chugiak Valley	6.99	7.53	7.78	10.55	12.42	14.43	13.35	13.33	14.74	15.38
Other/Outside Bowl	4.89	4.86	5.05	6.82	8.25	9.76	8.72	7.91	8.41	8.96

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