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SENATE BILL 556*

Short Title: Use of 911 Funds.

(Local)

Sponsors: Senators Moore; and Garwood.

Referred to: Commerce.

March 20, 2001

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO ALLOW MONEY IN THE EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM
FUND TO BE USED FOR PURPOSES ASSOCIATED WITH EMERGENCY
RESPONSE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 62A-8 reads as rewritten:

"§ 62A-8. Payments from Fund.

(a) Money from the Emergency Telephone System Fund shall be used ~~only~~ to pay ~~for~~ for costs associated with receiving or processing the emergency response, including the use of law enforcement, fire, medical, rescue, or other public safety services.

~~(1) The lease, purchase, or maintenance of emergency telephone equipment, including necessary computer hardware, software and database provisioning, addressing, and nonrecurring costs of establishing a 911 system, and~~

~~(2) The rates associated with the service supplier's 911 service and other service supplier recurring charges.~~

~~(b) The following expenses are not eligible for payment from the Fund: the lease or purchase of real estate, cosmetic remodeling of emergency dispatch centers, hiring, training, and compensating dispatchers, and the purchase of mobile communications vehicles, ambulances, fire engines, or other emergency vehicles.~~

(c) A local government may contract with a service supplier for any term negotiated by the service supplier and the local government and may make payments from the Emergency Telephone System Fund to provide any payments required by the contract."

SECTION 2. This act applies to the County of Caldwell only.

SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to charges billed on or after that date.