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MICHIGAN COUNCIL ON LAW ENFORCEMENT AND REINVENTION

SUPPORT FOR NEXT GENERATION 911 LEGISLATION

WHEREAS, protection of the public health and safety is a core government function; and

WHEREAS, a critical component of the public safety infrastructure in Michigan is the 9-1-1 emergency service, through which the public alerts first responders to emergency situations; and

WHEREAS, a secure, current, redundant, and reliable 9-1-1 system is vital to maintaining a safe, fast, and effective emergency response; and

WHEREAS, technological advances such as smart phones, wireless calling, high-speed internet, and text messaging have revolutionized the way we communicate with each other, allowing the public to quickly and accurately send text, digital photographs, video, and accurate location information; and

WHEREAS, 9-1-1 emergency response systems generally have not kept pace with the technological advances, with many communities still using networks that were designed for hard-wired telephones using copper lines; and

WHEREAS, Next Generation 9-1-1, if adopted in Michigan, would allow the public to send greater amounts of data to first responders, including texts and videos, and it would provide improved call transferability, network reliability, and accurate location information for wireless callers; and

WHEREAS, the improvements to the 9-1-1 emergency response system allowed by the adoption of Next Generation 9-1-1 will save lives and promote public health and safety by allowing for more effective responses to emergency situations; and

WHEREAS, Michigan House Bill 4651 and Senate Bill 400 have been introduced in the Michigan Legislature, which would amend Public Act 32 of 1986 entitled the “Emergency Telephone Service Enabling Act”; and

WHEREAS, these bills would amend the funding system for 9-1-1 so that all communication devices that have access to 9-1-1, including prepaid wireless devices, contribute equally to the funding of 9-1-1 operations; and

WHEREAS, these bills provide a stable funding source for the counties to support their migration to Next Generation 9-1-1 and ongoing operational levels of service for 9-1-1 to its residents; and

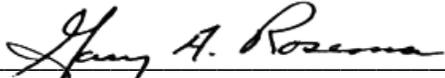
WHEREAS, these bills afford the State and Counties collecting 9-1-1 fees a mechanism for court action should any service providers fail to collect and remit the fees; and

WHEREAS, these bills have a mechanism that provides the necessary checks and balances to ensure revenues generated are used for authorized expenditures for 9-1-1 services; and

WHEREAS, these authorized expenditures are limited to those directly related to receiving and processing 9-1-1 calls and the subsequent dispatching of responders via a public safety radio;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that on January 6 2018:

The Council on Law Enforcement and Reinvention (CLEAR) recommends prompt passage of the bills introduced to amend the Emergency 9-1-1 Service Enabling Act to allow for the advancement Next Generation 911 service in Michigan (SB 400 & HB 4561).



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