

WORKING DRAFT

HOUSE BILL NO. _____

Public safety communications.

Sponsored by: Joint Transportation and Highways Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to public safety communications; renaming
2 the law enforcement communications commission; modifying
3 the duties, composition and authority of the commission;
4 providing definitions; conforming provisions; repealing
5 conflicting provisions; and providing for an effective
6 date.

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8 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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10 **Section 1.** W.S. 9-2-1101, 9-2-1102(a)(intro), (i),
11 (v), by creating new paragraphs (vii) through (x), by
12 creating a new subsection (c) and by amending and
13 renumbering (c) as (d), 9-2-1103, 9-2-1104(a)(i), (v) and
14 by creating a new paragraph (vi), 9-2-1105 and
15 9-2-1106(b)(intro), (i) and (ii) are amended to read:

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ARTICLE 11

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PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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9-2-1101. Commission; created; definitions.

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(a) The ~~law enforcement~~ public safety communications commission is created.

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(b) As used in W.S. 9-2-1101 through 9-2-1104:7

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(ii) "System" means the ~~highband radio~~ wireless communications network providing regional and statewide

1 radio communications capabilities to ~~the Wyoming game and~~
2 ~~fish department, the Wyoming livestock board, the Wyoming~~
3 ~~highway patrol, the division of criminal investigation,~~
4 ~~office of the attorney general and other state agencies~~
5 ~~employing peace officers enumerated in W.S.~~
6 ~~6-1-104(a)(vi)(C) through (F) and approved for~~
7 ~~participation by the communications commission and if~~
8 ~~desired, to county, municipal and federal law enforcement~~
9 ~~agencies~~ public safety agencies.

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11 **9-2-1102. Commission; composition; appointment of**
12 **members; removal; terms; officers; vacancies; meetings.**

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14 (a) The commission shall consist of ~~seven (7)~~ nine
15 (9) voting members and four (4) nonvoting members to be
16 appointed by the governor and who may be removed by the
17 governor as provided in W.S. 9-1-202. ~~One (1) member shall~~
18 ~~be appointed from the public at large and the remaining six~~
19 ~~(6)~~ Nine (9) voting members shall be appointed from ~~a list~~
20 ~~of four (4) names submitted by~~ each of the following
21 associations and agencies from their membership:

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23 (i) Wyoming police chiefs and sheriffs'
24 association;

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(v) Wyoming ~~highway patrol; and~~ department of transportation;

(vii) Department of state parks and cultural resources;

(viii) Wyoming fire chiefs' association;

(ix) Wyoming state fire marshal; and

(x) Wyoming emergency management agency.

(c) Four (4) nonvoting members shall be appointed by the governor as follows:

(i) One (1) member from the public at large;

(ii) One (1) member from the Wyoming ambulance and emergency medical services association;

(iii) One (1) representative from municipal government or a municipal government association; and

1 (iv) One (1) representative from county
2 government or a county government association.

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4 ~~(e)~~ (d) The commission shall elect from its members a
5 chairman, a vice-chairman and a secretary. Vacancies in
6 these offices shall be filled by the commission from its
7 membership. The commission shall meet at least once every
8 three (3) months. Appointments by the governor shall be
9 made within thirty (30) days of expiration of membership
10 terms. Nominee lists shall be furnished within ten (10)
11 days upon expiration of any membership term. Each ~~voting~~
12 member shall serve a three (3) year term. A vacancy on the
13 commission shall be filled for the unexpired term by the
14 governor. ~~from a list of two (2) names submitted within ten~~
15 ~~(10) days of the vacancy by the appointing association or~~
16 ~~agency.~~

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18 **9-2-1103. Commission; compensation of members.**

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20 ~~Voting~~ Members of the commission shall receive mileage and
21 per diem provided state employees.

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1 **9-2-1104. Commission; powers and duties; advisory**
2 **capacity to promote system development; public meetings;**
3 **clerical and administrative support.**

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5 (a) The commission shall:

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7 (i) Work with the state ~~communications~~
8 ~~consultant~~ chief information officer established by W.S.
9 9-2-1105, the administrator of the information technology
10 division of the department of administration and
11 information and the department of transportation in an
12 advisory capacity to promote the development, improvement
13 and efficiency of ~~law enforcement~~ public safety
14 communications systems in the state;

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16 (v) Promulgate necessary rules and regulations
17 governing system operation and participation and upon
18 failure to comply with adopted rules and regulations, may
19 suspend system use and participation by any participating
20 and noncomplying ~~federal, state or local~~ public safety
21 agency or private entity;

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1 (vi) Determine the participation of public
2 safety agencies and private entities in the wireless
3 communications network.

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5 **9-2-1105. Office of state chief information officer**
6 **created.**

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8 The office of the state ~~law enforcement radio~~
9 ~~communications consultant~~ chief information officer is
10 created. He is responsible to the governor. ~~and is referred~~
11 ~~to in W.S. 9-2-1105 and 9-2-1106 as the consultant.~~

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13 **9-2-1106. Office of state chief information officer;**
14 **qualifications; powers and duties; generally.**

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16 (b) The ~~consultant shall~~ state chief information
17 officer may:

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19 (i) Provide technical assistance to ~~local law~~
20 ~~enforcement agencies~~ a public safety agency in the area of
21 radio communications;

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1 (ii) Advise the ~~law enforcement~~ public safety
2 communications commission ~~of the system~~ on technical
3 matters;

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5 **Section 2.** W.S. 9-2-1102(a)(ii) and 9-2-1106(a) and
6 (c) are repealed.

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8 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2003.

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10 (END)