

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1127

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For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO EXTEND THE LEGISLATIVE ARKANSAS BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE ON LOCAL 911 SYSTEMS UNTIL 2017; TO REVISE THE LEGISLATIVE ARKANSAS BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE ON LOCAL 911 SYSTEMS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO EXTEND AND TO REVISE THE LEGISLATIVE ARKANSAS BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE ON LOCAL 911 SYSTEMS UNTIL 2017; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Uncodified Acts 2013, No. 1171, § 1 is amended to read as follows:

SECTION 1. TEMPORARY LANGUAGE. DO NOT CODIFY. The Legislative Arkansas Blue Ribbon Committee on Local 911 Systems – Creation – Membership.

(a) There is created the "Legislative Arkansas Blue Ribbon Committee on Local 911 Systems".

(b)(1) The committee shall consist of the following members who are residents of this state:

(A) One (1) member who is the Director of the Association of Arkansas Counties or the director's designee;

(B) One (1) member who is the Director of the Arkansas Department of Emergency Management or the director's designee;



(C) One (1) member who is the State Geographic Information Officer appointed by the Arkansas Geographic Information Systems Board or the officer's designee;

(D) One (1) member who is currently employed as an emergency responder in this state to be appointed by the Governor;

(E) One (1) member who is an elected county judge to be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate;

~~(D)~~(F) Two (2) members who are both currently serving as state senators to be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate;

~~(E)~~(G) One (1) consumer member to be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate;

~~(F)~~(H) One (1) member who is currently serving as a mayor to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

~~(G)~~(I) Two (2) members who are both currently serving as state representatives to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and

~~(H)~~(J) One (1) consumer member to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

(2) If any vacancy occurs on the committee, the vacancy shall be filled by the same process as the original appointment.

(c)(1) The President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall appoint one (1) of the Senators who is a member of the committee as cochair and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint one (1) of the Representatives who is a member of the committee as cochair.

(2) The first and subsequent meetings shall be at the call of the cochairs at a location within the state at the call of the cochairs.

(3) The committee shall establish rules and procedures for conducting its business.

(4) A majority of the members of the committee shall constitute a quorum for transacting business of the committee.

(d)(1) The committee may create advisory task forces as it deems necessary.

(2) The members of the task forces or other persons drawn from outside the committee or task force shall serve at the pleasure of the committee.

SECTION 2. Uncodified Acts 2013, No. 1171, § 6 is amended to read as follows:

SECTION 6. TEMPORARY LANGUAGE. DO NOT CODIFY. Legislative Arkansas Blue Ribbon Committee on Local 911 Systems – Expiration.

The Legislative Arkansas Blue Ribbon Committee on Local 911 Systems expires on ~~January 1, 2015~~ January 1, 2017.

SECTION 3. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the Legislative Arkansas Blue Ribbon Committee on Local 911 Systems expires on January 1, 2015; that the Legislative Arkansas Blue Ribbon Committee on Local 911 Systems needs to continue to study the impact of 911 emergency service to protect the lives, health, and welfare of the state's residents in emergency situations, specifically in rural areas of the state; that the Legislative Arkansas Blue Ribbon Committee on Local 911 Systems should be extended immediately in order to continue its mission and that this act is necessary to enhance the benefits of the 911 emergency system to all residents of this state. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist, and this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective on:

(1) The date of its approval by the Governor;

(2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill; or

(3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto.

/s/Baltz