

SENATE FILE NO. SF0032

911 funding.

Sponsored by: Joint Corporations, Elections & Political
Subdivisions Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to emergency telephone service; requiring a
2 study on next generation 911 service; authorizing a grant
3 program to fund shortfalls in current 911 service;
4 requiring rulemaking; making a conforming amendment;
5 requiring a report; specifying applicability; providing an
6 appropriation; and providing for an effective 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. 16-9-113 is created to read:

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12 **16-9-113. 911 study and grants.**

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14 (a) From funds appropriated for that purpose, the
15 department of transportation shall conduct a study

1 examining the transition to next generation 911 within the
2 state of Wyoming. The study shall include, without
3 limitation, governance of the 911 system, operations,
4 expenses and efficiencies. The results of the study under
5 this subsection shall be reported to the joint
6 corporations, elections and political subdivisions interim
7 committee not later than September 1, 2027.

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9 (b) From funds appropriated for that purpose, the
10 department of transportation is authorized to provide
11 grants to a governing body for any shortfall in funding
12 necessary to operate the current 911 system. Any governing
13 body that currently operates a 911 system may apply to the
14 department of transportation for a grant as provided in
15 this section. The governing body shall submit an
16 application to the department detailing the shortfall in
17 funding and any other information required by the
18 department. The department shall approve a grant for any
19 amounts requested in an application that the department
20 determines are necessary to operate the current 911 system.

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22 **Section 2.** W.S. 16-9-102(a)(x) is amended to read:
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1 **16-9-102. Definitions.**

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3 (a) As used in this act:

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5 (x) "This act" means W.S. 16-9-101 through

6 ~~16-9-111~~ 16-9-113;

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8 **Section 3.** The department of transportation shall
9 begin accepting applications for grants under W.S.
10 16-9-113(b) as created by section 1 of this act not later
11 than July 1, 2026.

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13 **Section 4.** There is appropriated three million seven
14 hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$3,750,000.00) from the
15 legislative stabilization reserve account to the department
16 of transportation for purposes of this act for the period
17 beginning with the effective date of this act and ending
18 June 30, 2028. Of this appropriation, three million dollars
19 (\$3,000,000.00) shall only be used to award grants to
20 governing bodies under W.S. 16-9-113(b) as created by
21 section 1 of this act and seven hundred fifty thousand
22 dollars (\$750,000.00) shall only be used to conduct the
23 study required under W.S. 16-9-113(a) as created by section

1 1 of this act. This appropriation shall not be transferred
2 or expended for any other purpose and any unexpended,
3 unobligated funds remaining from this appropriation shall
4 revert as provided by law on June 30, 2028.

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6 **Section 5.** This act is effective immediately upon
7 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law
8 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming
9 Constitution.

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11 (END)