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1 **AN ACT** *to create* 256.35 (3f) of the statutes; **relating to:** state 911
 2 telecommunications services.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

JOINT LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL PREFATORY NOTE: This bill draft was prepared for the Joint Legislative Council’s Special Committee on 911 Communications.

This draft would require the public service commission (PSC) to contract with a network of 911 service providers to perform selective routing services, manage updates to automatic location information databases, and manage master street address guides statewide. The draft would also require communications providers to provide price schedules for 911 services to the PSC, would require the PSC to review the price schedules to determine whether they are commercially reasonable, and would require the PSC to reimburse the commercially reasonable costs they incur. These costs include these associated with both wireless and landline 911 service.

This draft will create a staff position at PSC to perform these functions and allow the PSC to pay its administrative expenses from the state 911 fee, not to exceed 1% of the revenue from that fee.

3 **SECTION 1.** 256.35 (3f) of the statutes is created to read:

4 256.35 (3f) STATEWIDE 911 TELECOMMUNICATIONS. (a) The commission shall contract
 5 with 911 service providers for the establishment and maintenance of a statewide 911
 6 telecommunications system.

NOTE: “911 service provider” is defined in WLC: 0042/1 and WLC: 0048/P1 as “the entity that provides selective routing services and manages updates to the automatic location information database and master street address guide for a particular geographic area under contract with the public service commission”.

7 (b) The commission shall reimburse all commercially reasonable costs incurred by a
 8 communications provider to provide 911 telecommunications service. A communications

1 provider shall file with the commission a price schedule that lists the prices of all of the
2 communications provider's services associated with installing, maintaining, and operating
3 911 service, including nonrecurring and recurring costs. The commission shall determine
4 whether a communications provider's price schedule is commercially reasonable.

NOTE: "Communications provider" is defined in WLC: 0042/1 as "a person that provides active voice or nonvoice communications service that is capable of accessing a public safety answering point".

5 (c) The commission may contract with a 3rd party for the administration of this
6 subsection.

NOTE: If approved by the committee, this draft will also include creation of a staffing position at PSC and an appropriation to fund that position and the administration of the functions outlined in this draft from the state 911 fee, not to exceed 1% of the revenue from that fee, and to pay for the contracts with 911 service providers and telecommunications costs of communications providers, as described above.

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