

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 2240

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to public safety; creating the
8 Statewide Interoperable Radio Communications System
9 Fund; providing for certain features of fund;
10 providing for expenditure of funds; amending 62 O.S.
11 2011, Section 34.20, as amended by Section 352,
12 Chapter 304, O.S.L. 2012 (62 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section
13 34.20), which relates to additional powers and duties
14 of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services;
15 requiring the facilitation of a needs assessment for
16 a statewide interoperable radio communications
17 system; allowing for certain contract with
18 consultant; requiring certain collaboration;
19 requiring generation of report; listing certain
20 contents of report; requiring submission of report to
21 Legislature by certain date; providing for
22 codification; and providing an effective date.

23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

24 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 34.20.2 of Title 62, unless
there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund
for the Office of Management and Enterprise Services (OMES) to be
designated the "Statewide Interoperable Radio Communications System

1 Fund". The fund shall be a continuing fund, not subject to fiscal
2 year limitations, and shall consist of all monies designated for
3 deposit to said fund. All monies accruing to the credit of said
4 fund are hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and shall be
5 expended by OMES for the purpose of conducting a needs assessment
6 for a statewide interoperable radio communications system, pursuant
7 to Section 2 of this act.

8 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 62 O.S. 2011, Section 34.20, as
9 amended by Section 352, Chapter 304, O.S.L. 2012 (62 O.S. Supp.
10 2020, Section 34.20), is amended to read as follows:

11 Section 34.20 In addition to the powers and duties as defined
12 elsewhere in this title, the Information Services Division of the
13 Office of Management and Enterprise Services shall:

14 1. Coordinate statewide planning and approve statewide
15 contracts for communication and telecommunications needs of state
16 agencies, including, but not limited to, voice, data, radio
17 including the interoperable radio communications system for state
18 agencies, video, broadband, Wi-Fi or wireless networking, Global
19 Positioning Systems (GPS), Internet, eGovernment, as referenced in
20 Sections 34.24 and 34.25 of this title, and facsimile transmissions
21 through analysis of the telecommunications and information
22 technology plan of each agency;

23 2. In coordination with the Oklahoma Office of Homeland
24 Security, establish minimum mandatory standards and protocols for:

- a. communication networks and equipment,
- b. wide area and local area systems,
- c. integration of equipment, systems and joint usage,
- d. Internet and eGovernment,
- e. operating systems or methods to be used to meet communications requirements efficiently, effectively, and securely,
- f. rendering of aid between state government and its political subdivisions with respect to organizing of communications systems, and
- g. an economical and cost-effective utilization of communication services.

The standards and protocols shall be compatible with the standards and protocols established for the Oklahoma Government Telecommunications Network;

3. Serve as a focal point for all statewide projects and approve all statewide contracts for state agencies involving current communications vendors where the focus of such authority can substantially enhance the state communications plan or the savings which can be achieved thereunder;

4. Provide, when requested by political subdivisions of the state, for the organizing of communications or telecommunications systems and service between the state and its political subdivisions and enter into agreements to effect the purposes of this section;

1 5. Cooperate with any federal, state or local emergency
2 management agency in providing for emergency communications and
3 telecommunication services;

4 6. Apply for, receive, and hold, or assist agencies in applying
5 for, receiving or holding such authorizations, licenses and
6 allocations of channels and frequencies to carry out the purposes of
7 this section;

8 7. Accomplish such other purposes as may be necessary or
9 incidental to the administration of its authority or functions
10 pursuant to law; ~~and~~

11 8. Provide support for telecommunication networks of state
12 agencies through analysis of the telecommunications needs and
13 requirements of each agency and promotion of the use of the Oklahoma
14 Government Telecommunications Network; and

15 9. Facilitate a needs assessment for a statewide interoperable
16 radio communications system in consultation with the Oklahoma Office
17 of Homeland Security, the Governor's Chief Information Officer, the
18 Department of Public Safety and the Oklahoma Department of Emergency
19 Management. The Office of Management and Enterprise Services may
20 contract with a third-party consultant to assist in the assessment.
21 When conducting the assessment, the consultant shall collaborate
22 with the Oklahoma Office of Homeland Security, the Governor's Chief
23 Information Officer, the Department of Public Safety, the Oklahoma
24 Department of Emergency Management and local emergency service

1 providers. Based on the assessment, the consultant shall issue a
2 report that identifies the needs of users of the system, discusses
3 the operability and interoperability of the system, and contains
4 budgetary estimates, funding methodologies and governance
5 recommendations for municipalities and counties to participate. The
6 assessment shall be completed and the report delivered to the
7 Legislature no later than one (1) year following the effective date
8 of this act.

9 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.

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