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4 Kupersmith of South Burlington, Marcotte of Coventry, Ralston
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6 Referred to Committee on

7 Date:

8 Subject: Public service; enhanced 911; limitation of liability

9 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to expand the
10 types of people who shall not be liable for civil damages relating to their
11 participation in the enhanced 911 system.

12 An act relating to limiting liability in the enhanced 911 system

13 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

14 Sec. 1. 30 V.S.A. § 7060 is amended to read:

15 § 7060. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

16 (a) ~~No~~ A person shall not be liable in any suit for civil damages who in
17 good faith receives, develops, collects, provides, or processes information for
18 the enhanced 911 ~~database~~ system or develops, designs, adopts, establishes,
19 installs, participates in, implements, maintains, ~~or~~ provides access to ~~telephone,~~
20 ~~mobile, or IP-enabled service,~~ delivers, or provides services, equipment, or

1 software for any telecommunications service for the purpose of helping
2 persons obtain emergency assistance in accordance with this chapter unless
3 such action constitutes gross negligence or an intentional tort.

4 (b) In addition, ~~no a provider of telephone, mobile, or other IP-enabled~~
5 ~~service~~ any telecommunications service or a provider's respective employees,
6 directors, officers, assigns, affiliates, or agents shall not be liable for civil
7 damages in connection with the release of customer information to any
8 governmental entity, including any public safety answering point, as required
9 under this chapter.

10 (c) As used in this section, "telecommunications service" has the same
11 meaning as that term is defined in subdivision 203(5) of this title.

12 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

13 This act shall take effect on passage.