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As introduced

Subject Public safety telecommunicators

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Overview

This bill establishes a certification process for public safety telecommunicators.

Summary

Section Description

1 Public safety telecommunicator.

Defines the term "public safety telecommunicator" for purposes of the Minnesota code.

2 Public safety telecommunicators; certification; training; and continuing education.

Subd. 1. Certification required. Requires PSTs to be certified by the commissioner of public safety by August 1, 2024.

Subd. 2. Certification requirements; rulemaking. Specifies skills that PSTs must demonstrate proficiency to earn certification. Authorizes the commissioner to adopt rules to implement the certification process.

Subd. 3. Continuing education. Establishes continuing education requirements for PSTs.

3 Emergency telecommunications service fee; account.

Authorizes use of the 911 fee proceeds to fund PST training, certification, and continuing education.

4 Appropriation; public safety telecommunicator certification and training.

Appropriates an unspecified amount from the 911 special revenue account to fund reimbursement grants to agencies that employ PSTs to cover their training and certification costs.

5 Repealer.

Repeals the existing definition of 911 telecommunicator in statute.

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