## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 1304 Session of 2023

INTRODUCED BY SOLOMON, MADDEN, WEBSTER, KINSEY, SANCHEZ, HILL-EVANS AND GUENST, JUNE 2, 2023

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, JUNE 2, 2023

## AN ACT

- Amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania
  Consolidated Statutes, in 911 emergency communication
  services, further providing for uniform 911 surcharge and for
  termination.

  The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
  hereby enacts as follows:

  Section 1. Section 5306.2 of Title 35 of the Pennsylvania
- 8 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subsection to read:
- 9  $\S$  5306.2. Uniform 911 surcharge.
- 10 \* \* \*
- 11 (a.1) Surcharge increase. -- Beginning January 1, 2024, the
- 12 <u>surcharge of \$1.65 assessed under subsection (a) shall increase</u>
- 13 to \$1.97 and be adjusted annually each year thereafter by a
- 14 percentage equal to the upward percentage change in the Consumer
- 15 Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) for which figures
- 16 have been officially reported by the United States Department of
- 17 Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. The following shall apply:
- 18 (1) The surcharge increase shall be rounded to the

- 1 <u>nearest 1¢.</u>
- 2 (2) The percentage change of the surcharge increase
- 3 <u>shall be determined by comparison of the figures for the</u>
- 4 <u>previous June with the current June figures.</u>
- 5 (3) The surcharge increase shall be applied to the next
- 6 <u>successive calendar year. If the percentage change in the</u>
- 7 Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)
- 8 <u>declines</u>, the amount of the surcharge shall remain unchanged
- 9 for the successive calendar year.
- 10 (4) The agency shall, within 10 days of determining the
- 11 <u>surcharge increase, submit a notice of the determination to</u>
- 12 <u>the Legislative Reference Bureau for publication in the next</u>
- available issue of the Pennsylvania Bulletin.
- 14 \* \* \*
- 15 Section 2. Section 5398 of Title 35 is amended to read:
- 16 § 5398. Termination.
- This chapter shall expire January 31, [2024] 2029.
- 18 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.