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**"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A CONNECTICUT PUBLIC SAFETY  
DATA NETWORK."**

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and  
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Subsection (a) of section 28-24 of the general statutes is  
4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
5 *passage*):

6 (a) There is established an Office of State-Wide Emergency  
7 Telecommunications which shall be in the Division of Fire, Emergency  
8 and Building Services within the Department of Public Safety. The  
9 Office of State-Wide Emergency Telecommunications shall be  
10 responsible for developing and maintaining a state-wide emergency  
11 service telecommunications policy. In connection with said policy the  
12 office shall:

13 (1) Develop a state-wide emergency service telecommunications

14 plan specifying emergency police, fire and medical service  
15 telecommunications systems needed to provide coordinated  
16 emergency service telecommunications to all state residents, including  
17 the physically disabled;

18 (2) Pursuant to the recommendations of the task force established by  
19 public act 95-318\* to study enhanced 9-1-1 telecommunications  
20 services, and in accordance with regulations adopted by the  
21 Commissioner of Public Safety pursuant to subsection (b) of this  
22 section, develop and administer, by July 1, 1997, an enhanced  
23 emergency 9-1-1 program, which shall provide for: (A) The  
24 replacement of existing 9-1-1 terminal equipment for each public safety  
25 answering point; (B) the subsidization of regional public safety  
26 emergency telecommunications centers, with enhanced subsidization  
27 for municipalities with a population in excess of forty thousand; (C)  
28 the establishment of a transition grant program to encourage  
29 regionalization of public safety telecommunications centers; [and] (D)  
30 the establishment of a regional emergency telecommunications service  
31 credit in order to support regional dispatch services; and (E) until July  
32 1, 2011, funding to be distributed in accordance with this subdivision  
33 to any public safety answering point that has an Insurance Service  
34 Office rating of Class 1 and uses a secondary answering point without  
35 the reduction in funding required by the regulations adopted in  
36 accordance with subsection (b) of this section, in order to permit any  
37 such public safety answering point to consolidate its communication  
38 centers;

39 (3) Provide technical telecommunications assistance to state and  
40 local police, fire and emergency medical service agencies;

41 (4) Provide frequency coordination for such agencies;

42 (5) Coordinate and assist in state-wide planning for 9-1-1 and E 9-1-  
43 1 systems;

44 (6) Review and make recommendations concerning proposed  
45 legislation affecting emergency service telecommunications; and

46       (7) Review and make recommendations to the General Assembly  
47       concerning emergency service telecommunications funding."