

HB 1265 – AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL **1265**

AN ACT relative to coordinating and funding broadband infrastructure information by the enhanced 911 system.

SPONSORS: Rep. Ford, Graf 3; Rep. Cali-Pitts, Rock 30; Rep. Rappaport, Coos 1

COMMITTEE: Science, Technology and Energy

ANALYSIS

This bill allows the bureau of emergency communications to acquire and utilize information on broadband infrastructure in coordination with the New Hampshire Broadband Mapping and Planning Program for the purposes of the enhanced 911 system.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
 Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struck through.~~]
 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Fourteen

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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 1 Enhanced 911 System; Purpose. Amend RSA 106-H:1 to read as follows:
2 106-H:1 Statement of Purpose. The general court of the state of New Hampshire declares that
3 the interests of the state’s citizens will be served by a coordinated statewide enhanced 911 system,
4 utilizing 911 as the primary emergency telephone number, which will develop and improve
5 emergency communication procedures and facilities with the objective of reducing the response time
6 to emergency calls for law enforcement, fire, medical, rescue and other emergency services. ***The***
7 ***general court also recognizes that broadband and other communications services utilize***
8 ***critical infrastructure which could be coordinated with the enhanced 911 system to develop***
9 ***and improve response time and provide a benefit to public safety.***

10 2 New Section; Enhanced 911; Broadband Mapping Information. Amend RSA 106-H by
11 inserting after section 8 the following new section:

12 106-H:8-a Broadband Mapping Information. The bureau may acquire and utilize information on
13 broadband mapping data and infrastructure information in coordination with the New Hampshire
14 Broadband Mapping and Planning Program (NHBMPP), in order to utilize street address guides and
15 rural address detail and enhance access to geographic information systems data for public safety
16 purposes. Information acquired or maintained by the bureau shall not be subject to disclosure under
17 RSA 91-A, as provided in RSA 106-H:14.

18 3 New Subparagraph; Powers of the Commission; Broadband Mapping; Funding. Amend
19 RSA 106-H:5, II by inserting after subparagraph (b) the following new subparagraph:

20 (c) Pursue, develop, and coordinate grants and other funding opportunities for expansion
21 of broadband availability and mapping of broadband infrastructure in conjunction with the
22 New Hampshire Broadband Mapping and Planning Program to advance expansion in unserved areas
23 of New Hampshire and promote public safety.

24 4 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.