

(III) "WIRELESS TELEPHONE SERVICE" DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY SERVICE THAT CANNOT CONNECT A PERSON DIALING THE DIGITS 911 TO AN ESTABLISHED PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINT UNDER THE 911 SYSTEM.

(15) "911-ACCESSIBLE SERVICE" MEANS ANY TELEPHONE OR OTHER COMMUNICATIONS SERVICE THAT CONNECTS A PERSON DIALING THE DIGITS 911 TO AN ESTABLISHED PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINT UNDER THE 911 SYSTEM.

(16) (I) "911 SERVICE CARRIER" MEANS ANY PROVIDER OF A WIRELESS TELEPHONE SERVICE OR OTHER 911-ACCESSIBLE SERVICE.

(II) "911 SERVICE CARRIER" DOES NOT INCLUDE A TELEPHONE COMPANY.

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(a) (1) There is a 911 Trust Fund created for the purpose of:

(i) Reimbursing the counties for enhancements to a 911 system; and

(ii) Paying contractors in accordance with the provisions of § 18-103(h)(11) of this subtitle.

(2) Moneys in the 911 Trust Fund shall be held in the State Treasury.

(b) (1) For purposes of this subtitle, there is a 911 fee to be paid by the subscribers to switched local exchange access service, WIRELESS TELEPHONE SERVICE, OR OTHER 911-ACCESSIBLE SERVICE. The 911 fee is 10 cents per month payable at the time when the bills for telephone service are due.

(2) The Public Service Commission shall direct the telephone companies to add the 911 fee to all current bills rendered for switched local exchange access service in the State. The telephone companies shall act as collection agents for the 911 Trust Fund with respect to the fee, and shall remit all proceeds to the Comptroller on a monthly basis. The telephone companies shall be entitled to credit against the proceeds of the 911 fee to be remitted an amount equal to 1 1/2 percent of the 911 fee to cover the expenses of billing, collecting, and remitting the 911 fee and any additional charges. The Comptroller shall deposit the funds in the 911 Trust Fund.

(3) THE 911 SERVICE CARRIERS SHALL ADD THE 911 FEE TO ALL CURRENT BILLS RENDERED FOR WIRELESS TELEPHONE SERVICE OR OTHER 911-ACCESSIBLE SERVICE IN THE STATE. THE 911 SERVICE CARRIERS SHALL ACT AS COLLECTION AGENTS FOR THE 911 TRUST FUND WITH RESPECT TO THE FEE AND SHALL REMIT ALL PROCEEDS TO THE COMPTROLLER ON A MONTHLY BASIS. THE 911 SERVICE CARRIERS SHALL BE ENTITLED TO CREDIT AGAINST THE PROCEEDS OF THE 911 FEE TO BE REMITTED AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO 1 1/2 PERCENT OF THE 911 FEE TO COVER THE EXPENSES OF BILLING, COLLECTING, AND REMITTING THE 911 FEE AND ANY ADDITIONAL CHARGES. THE COMPTROLLER SHALL DEPOSIT THE FUNDS IN THE 911 TRUST FUND.