

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-68

REVIEW OF THE EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS FEE

WHEREAS, in 1988 the Legislature enacted the Emergency Communications Act (“Act”) at Title 31, Chapter 48 of the Idaho Code; and

WHEREAS, the Act establishes a method for financing the initiation, maintenance, and enhancement of consolidated emergency communications systems which allows for 9-1-1 service within the several counties; and

WHEREAS, in November 1990, at a general elections, the voters of Kootenai County approved a telephone line user fee, also known as an emergency communications or 9-1-1 fee, in an amount not greater than one dollar (\$1.00) per line per month, to be used to fund and finance the maintenance and operation of a 9-1-1 emergency communications system as provided in the Act; and

WHEREAS, on May 1, 2001, the Board of Kootenai County Commissioners (“Board”), in Resolution No. 2001-26, set the emergency communications fee to be assessed in Kootenai County at one dollar (\$1.00) per line per month; and

WHEREAS, the Board recognizes the requirement to review the emergency communications fee on an annual basis pursuant to Idaho Code § 31-4803(7); and

WHEREAS, the current revenue collected from the emergency communications fee is not adequate to fund the needs of the emergency communications system;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that pursuant to the authority granted to this Board pursuant to Idaho Code § 31-4804, that the emergency communications fee shall continue to be set in the amount of one dollar (\$1.00) per month per access or interconnected VoIP service line; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the emergency communications fee shall continue to be collected from by all telecommunications providers, as provided in and pursuant to Idaho Code § 31-4804; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all telecommunications providers shall remit the fee on a monthly basis to the Kootenai County Treasurer’s Office at 451 Government Way, P.O. Box 9000, Coeur d’Alene, Idaho 83816-9000, on the last day of the month following the provider’s billing cycle; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to Idaho Code §31-4804 and this Resolution, all providers shall continue to be entitled to deduct and retain one percent (1.0%) of the collected amount as the cost of administration for collecting the charge; and

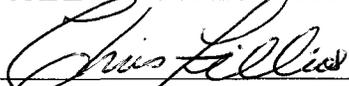
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any conflicting prior resolutions are hereby superseded and such conflicting provisions repealed.

Upon a motion to adopt the text of the foregoing Resolution made by Commissioner Duncan, seconded by Commissioner Brooks, the following vote was recorded:

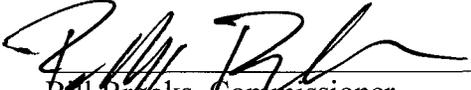
Commissioner Brooks:	Aye
Commissioner Duncan:	Aye
Chairman Fillios:	Aye

Upon said roll call, the text of the foregoing was duly enacted as a Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of Kootenai County, Idaho on the 6th day of July, 2021.

KOOTENAI COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS


Chris Fillios, Chairman


Leslie Duncan, Commissioner


Bill Brooks, Commissioner

ATTEST
JIM BRANNON, CLERK

By: