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To: Chairman Delperdang and the House Committee on Energy, Utilities, and Telecommunications

From: City of Overland Park

Re: HB 2690 – Neutral (Written)

Thank you for allowing the City of Overland Park to submit testimony in regards to HB 2690.

We generally support this legislation because it follows the recommendations from the Legislative Post Audit report released in 2023. The report was focused mostly on the state-hosted system; however, it referenced a concern from local Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs) that their funding is not currently adequate to support proper funding for authorized expenditures. PSAPs are seeing a decreased ability to plan for future maintenance and equipment upgrades because the 911 fee has stayed flat, while most, if not all, PSAP costs have increased. The proposed legislation in SB 2690 does not address this gap in funding. The proposed legislation would maintain the current formula on Page 28, stating counties with a population over 80,000 receive only 82% of the \$0.90 per month per subscriber account.

We respectfully request that the Committee consider the impact of local PSAPs if there is not a fee increase. Thank you for allowing the City to submit testimony in regards to HB 2690.