

# **One Hundred Fourth Legislature - Second Session - 2016**

## **Introducer's Statement of Intent**

### **LB938**

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**Chairperson: Senator Jim Smith**

**Committee: Transportation and Telecommunications**

**Date of Hearing: February 01, 2016**

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 938 would adopt the 911 Service System Act. The Nebraska Public Service Commission (NPSC) is designated as the statewide implementing authority to plan and coordinate a statewide 911 service system.

The NPSC is authorized to retain appropriate staff and resources and is tasked with the development of a state-wide 911 implementation plan. Such plan shall be presented to the Legislature on or before December 1, 2017 and the plan shall not be implemented prior to July 1, 2018.

The plan developed and presented to the Legislature by the NPSC shall include:

Start-up and on-going costs of a state-wide 911 system;

Recommendations regarding cost recovery;

The plan for the implementation of the statewide 911 coordination role;

A recommendation on the number of public safety answering points that should be maintained state-wide that are Next-Generation 911 capable; and

A recommendation for any additional legislation required to implement state-wide 911 service.

Finally, the bill creates the 911 Service System Fund. The fund shall be used to pay for the costs incurred by the NPSC in administering the Act. The fund will consist of any money transferred from the Enhanced Wireless 911 fund, any available federal funding, and any other money credited to the fund by the Legislature.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_

Senator Jim Smith