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COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	<u> </u>	(Y/N)
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WITHDRAWN	<u> </u>	(Y/N)
OTHER	<u> </u>	

1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Commerce Committee
 2 Representative DuBose offered the following:

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5 Remove lines 274-308 and insert:

6 (3) The Legislature finds that an important state interest
 7 is served in protecting the public safety by ensuring that each
 8 911 public safety answering point is capable of direct radio
 9 communications with first responders and dispatchers within the
 10 surrounding area for which the public safety answering point
 11 would not otherwise provide dispatch. A proper and legitimate
 12 state purpose is achieved when a public safety answering point
 13 that receives an emergency communication is able to save crucial
 14 time by avoiding the need to transfer that communication to a
 15 second public safety answering point to dispatch first
 16 responders.

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17 (4) Therefore, the Legislature finds and declares that
18 this act fulfills an important state interest.

19 Section 4. Section 365.179, Florida Statutes, is created
20 to read:

21 365.179 Direct radio communication between 911 public
22 safety answering points and first responders.—

23 (1) As used in this section, the term:

24 (a) "First responder agency" includes each law enforcement
25 agency and fire service agency, other than a state agency, and
26 each emergency medical services provider, that is designated as
27 a primary first responder for the service area in which a 911
28 public safety answering point receives 911 calls.

29 (b) "911 public safety answering point" or "PSAP" means a
30 municipal or county emergency communications or 911 call center
31 in this state that receives cellular, landline, or text-to-911
32 communications.

33 (2) Each sheriff, in collaboration with all first
34 responder agency heads in his or her county, shall facilitate
35 the development and execution of written interlocal agreements
36 between all primary first responder agencies within the county.
37 Each agreement must establish written protocols that outline
38 circumstances and public safety emergencies under which a PSAP
39 will directly provide notice of an emergency by radio to the on-
40 duty personnel of a first responder agency for which the PSAP
41 does not provide primary dispatch functions. Each agreement must

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42 require the PSAP to have direct radio contact with primary first
43 responder agencies and their dispatchers, for which the PSAP may
44 reasonably receive 911 communications, without having to
45 transfer a 911 communication to another PSAP or dispatch center
46 for dispatch. The method of complying with this requirement
47 shall be established by the first responder agency heads and set
48 forth in each interlocal agreement.

49 (3) Each PSAP must be capable of immediately broadcasting
50 911 communications or public safety information over the primary
51 radio dispatch channels of each first responder agency in the
52 county it serves, where the PSAP may reasonably receive 911
53 calls in the first responder's service area. If a county or
54 jurisdiction has multiple PSAPs, each PSAP must have this
55 capability.

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