

SENATE BILL 649

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By: **Senator Kagan**

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Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Safety Answering Point Personnel – Training in Telecommunications**
3 **Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland 9–1–1 Board to establish training standards
5 for public safety answering point personnel concerning telecommunications
6 cardiopulmonary resuscitation; altering the purposes of the 9–1–1 Trust Fund to
7 include funding the costs of certain telecommunications cardiopulmonary
8 resuscitation training; and generally relating to training in telecommunications
9 cardiopulmonary resuscitation for public safety answering point personnel.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
11 Article – Public Safety
12 Section 1–306(a) and 1–308(a) and (b)(3)
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

15 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
16 Article – Public Safety
17 Section 1–306(b)(15) and 1–308(b)(2)(viii) and (ix)
18 Annotated Code of Maryland
19 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

20 BY adding to
21 Article – Public Safety
22 Section 1–308(b)(2)(x)
23 Annotated Code of Maryland
24 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

25 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
26 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **Article – Public Safety**

2 1–306.

3 (a) The Board shall coordinate the enhancement of county 9–1–1 systems.

4 (b) The Board’s responsibilities include:

5 (15) establishing training standards for public safety answering point
6 personnel based on national best practices, including training concerning:

7 (i) Next Generation 9–1–1 topics;

8 (ii) individual psychological well–being and resilience; [and]

9 (iii) subject to subsection (e)(2) of this section, implicit bias training;

10 **AND**

11 **(IV) HIGH QUALITY TELECOMMUNICATIONS**
12 **CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION INSTRUCTION THAT:**

13 **1. UTILIZES THE MOST CURRENT NATIONALLY**
14 **RECOGNIZED EMERGENCY CARDIOVASCULAR CARE GUIDELINES;**

15 **2. INCLUDES RECOGNITION PROTOCOLS FOR**
16 **OUT–OF–HOSPITAL CARDIAC ARREST;**

17 **3. INCLUDES CONTINUING INSTRUCTION ON**
18 **COMPRESSION–ONLY CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION; AND**

19 **4. ENABLES TRAINEES TO PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS**
20 **FOR TRAINING IMPROVEMENT;**

21 1–308.

22 (a) There is a 9–1–1 Trust Fund.

23 (b) (2) Subject to paragraph (3) of this subsection, in addition to the purposes
24 described under paragraph (1) of this subsection, the purposes of the 9–1–1 Trust Fund
25 include funding:

26 (viii) costs to maintain the cybersecurity of 9–1–1 systems, enhanced
27 9–1–1 systems, and Next Generation 9–1–1 services; [and]

28 (ix) costs of 9–1–1 specialist recruitment activities as described in §

1 1-306(b)(17) of this subtitle; AND

2 (X) COSTS OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARDIOPULMONARY
3 RESUSCITATION TRAINING AS DESCRIBED IN § 1-306(B)(15)(IV) OF THIS SUBTITLE.

4 (3) Funding allocated in accordance with paragraph (2) of this subsection
5 may not be utilized for:

6 (i) the payment of the salary of public safety answering point
7 personnel or county personnel; or

8 (ii) any purpose associated with the 9-8-8 suicide prevention
9 hotline.

10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
11 October 1, 2024.