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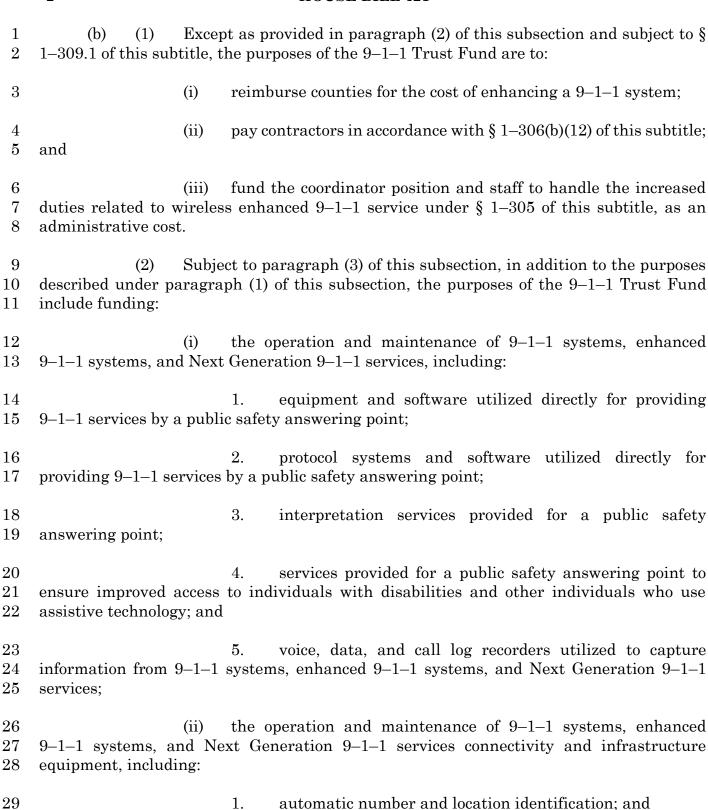
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Public Safety - 9-1-1 Trust Fund - 9-8-8 Suicide Prevention Hotline

- FOR the purpose of authorizing the use of the 9–1–1 Trust Fund for certain expenditures that support the 9–8–8 suicide prevention hotline; altering a certain restriction on the use of the 9–1–1 Trust Fund to prohibit funds from being used for expenses solely related to the 9–8–8 suicide prevention hotline, instead of preventing the use of funds for any costs associated with the 9–8–8 suicide prevention hotline; and generally relating to the 9–1–1 Trust Fund and the 9–8–8 suicide prevention hotline.
- 9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
- 10 Article Public Safety
- 11 Section 1–308(a) and 1–309(a) and (c)(1)
- 12 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 13 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)
- 14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 15 Article Public Safety
- 16 Section 1–308(b) and 1–309(c)(6)
- 17 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 18 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)
- 19 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
- 20 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 21 Article Public Safety
- 22 1–308.
- 23 (a) There is a 9–1–1 Trust Fund.



30 2. Primary Rate Interface and Session Initiation Protocol 31 trucking for 10-digit emergency and nonemergency lines;

- 1 (iii) geographical information systems hardware, software, data 2 development, and data management costs incurred for the effective operation of 9-1-1 systems, enhanced 9–1–1 systems, and Next Generation 9–1–1 services, including: 3 4 1. mapping equipment; 2. 5 interfaces to computer-aided dispatch; and 6 geographical information systems base layer development 3. 7 and management; 8 (iv) public safety answering point facilities costs, including access 9 control, security systems, and standby power; 10 (v) costs for public education materials; 11 (vi) the training of county personnel working in or directly 12supporting a public safety answering point; 13 (vii) the provision of tuition reimbursement for 9-1-1 specialists for educational programs related to the 9-1-1 specialist career field; 14 (viii) costs to maintain the cybersecurity of 9-1-1 systems, enhanced 15 9–1–1 systems, and Next Generation 9–1–1 services: 16 17 costs of 9-1-1 specialist recruitment activities as described in § 1-306(b)(17) of this subtitle; [and] 18 19 costs of telecommunications cardiopulmonary resuscitation (x) 20training; AND 21(XI) COSTS RELATED TO THE OPERATION OF THE 9-8-8 SUICIDE 22 PREVENTION HOTLINE THAT MAY BE SHARED WITH 9-1-1 ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING 23 SOFTWARE INTERFACES AND JOINT TRAINING. 24Funding allocated in accordance with paragraph (2) of this subsection 25may not be utilized for any [purpose associated with] COSTS THAT SOLELY SUPPORT the 26 9-8-8 suicide prevention hotline. 27 1 - 309.28 On recommendation of the Board, each year the Secretary shall request an (a) 29 appropriation from the 9–1–1 Trust Fund in an amount sufficient to:
- 30 (1) carry out the purposes of this subtitle;

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1 (2) pay the administrative costs chargeable to the 9-1-1 Trust Fund; and 2 (3) reimburse counties for the cost of enhancing a 9–1–1 system. Money accruing to the 9-1-1 Trust Fund may be used as provided in 3 (c) (1) 4 this subsection. 5 (6) Money accruing to the 9–1–1 Trust Fund may not be used for: the maintenance or operation of communications centers other 6 (i) 7 than public safety answering points; or 8 any [purpose associated with] COSTS THAT SOLELY SUPPORT (ii) the 9-8-8 suicide prevention hotline. 9 10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect