

### 34.1 Definitions.

As used in [this chapter](#) unless the context otherwise requires:

1. “*911 service*” means a service which provides the user of a public telephone system the ability to reach a public safety answering point by dialing the digits 9-1-1.

2. “*Private safety entity*” means a private entity which provides emergency fire, ambulance, or medical services whether by full or part-time employees or on a volunteer basis.

3. “*Public agency*” means the state government and any unit of local government or special purpose district located in whole or in part within the state that provides or has authority to provide fire fighting, law enforcement, ambulance, medical, or other emergency services.

4. “*Public safety agency*” means a functional unit of a public agency that provides fire fighting, law enforcement, ambulance, medical, or other emergency services.

5. “*Public safety answering point*” means a communications facility operated on a twenty-four hour basis and serving participating jurisdictions, that initially receives 911 calls and either directly dispatches emergency response services, or relays the calls to the appropriate public safety agency.

[86 Acts, ch 1246, §763](#)

C87, §477A.1

C93, §34.1

[94 Acts, ch 1023, §6](#)

Referred to in [§321.234A](#), [321.276](#), [707.6A](#)