

80.28 Statewide interoperable communications system board — established — members.

1. A statewide interoperable communications system board is established, under the joint purview of the department and the state department of transportation. The board shall develop, implement, and oversee policy, operations, and fiscal components of communications interoperability efforts at the state and local level, and coordinate with similar efforts at the federal level, with the ultimate objective of developing and overseeing the operation of a statewide integrated public safety communications interoperability system. For the purposes of [this section](#) and [section 80.29](#), “interoperability” means the ability of public safety and public services personnel to communicate and to share data on an immediate basis, on demand, when needed, and when authorized.

2. The board shall consist of the following members, selected by the governor after considering recommendations from professional or volunteer organizations:

- a. One member who is a representative from a municipal police department.
- b. One member who is a representative of a sheriff’s office.
- c. One member who is a representative from a fire department.
- d. One member who is a law communication center manager employed by a state or local government agency.
- e. One member representing local emergency management coordinators.
- f. One member representing emergency medical service providers.
- g. One at-large member.

3. In addition to the members listed in [subsection 2](#), the board membership shall include four members of the general assembly with one member designated by each of the following: the majority leader of the senate, the minority leader of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the minority leader of the house of representatives. A legislative member serves for a term as provided in [section 4A.13](#) in an ex officio, nonvoting capacity and is eligible for per diem and expenses as provided in [section 2.10](#).

4. The voting members of the board shall be appointed in compliance with [section 4A.12](#). Members shall elect a chairperson and vice chairperson from the board membership, who shall serve two-year terms. The members appointed by the governor shall be appointed to three-year staggered terms and the terms shall commence and end as provided by [section 69.19](#). If a vacancy occurs among the voting members, a successor shall be appointed to serve the unexpired term. A successor shall be appointed in the same manner and subject to the same qualifications as the original appointment to serve the unexpired term. The voting members of the board are entitled to receive reimbursement for actual expenses incurred while engaged in the performance of official duties from funds appropriated to the department of public safety and the state department of transportation for that purpose. The departments shall enter into an agreement to provide administrative assistance and support to the board.

[2007 Acts, ch 90, §1](#); [2009 Acts, ch 14, §1 – 4](#); [2009 Acts, ch 165, §1, 4](#); [2013 Acts, ch 29, §41](#); [2015 Acts, ch 120, §38](#); [2023 Acts, ch 19, §43](#); [2024 Acts, ch 1004, §13](#); [2024 Acts, ch 1170, §180](#); [2024 Acts, ch 1185, §117](#)

Referred to in [§29C.23, 34A.11, 80.29](#)