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A BILL FOR							
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Section 1. Section 34A.3, subsection 1, unnumbered 2 paragraph 1, Code 1997, is amended to read as follows: The board of supervisors of each county shall establish a 4 joint 911 service board not later than January 1, 1989. Each 5 political-subdivision-of-the-state-having-a public safety 6 agency serving territory within the county is entitled to 7 voting membership on the joint 911 service board. 8 private safety agency operating within the area is entitled to 9 nonvoting membership on the board. A-township-which-does-not 10 operate-its-own-public-safety-agency,-but-contracts-for-the ll provision-of-public-safety-services;-is-not-entitled-to 12 membership-on-the-joint-911-service-boardy-but-its-contractor 13 is-entitled-to-membership-according-to-the-contractor's-status 14 as-a-public-or-private-safety-agency: The joint 911 service 15 board shall develop an enhanced 911 service plan encompassing 16 at minimum the entire county, unless an exemption is granted 17 by the administrator permitting a smaller E911 service area. 18 The administrator may grant a discretionary exemption from the 19 single county minimum service area requirement based upon an 20 E911 joint service board's or other E911 service plan 21 operating authority's presentation of evidence which supports 22 the requested exemption if the administrator finds that local 23 conditions make adherence to the minimum standard unreasonable 24 or technically infeasible, and that the purposes of this 25 chapter would be furthered by granting an exemption. The 26 minimum size requirement is intended to prevent unnecessary 27 duplication of public safety answering points and minimize 28 other administrative, personnel, and equipment expenses. An 29 E911 service area must encompass a geographically contiguous 30 area. No exemption shall be granted from the contiquous area 31 requirement. The administrator may order the inclusion of a 32 specific territory in an adjoining £911 service plan area to 33 avoid the creation by exclusion of a territory smaller than a 34 single county not serviced by surrounding E911 service plan 35 areas upon request of the joint 911 service board representing

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1 the territory. The E911 service plan operating authority
2 shall submit the plan on or before January 1, 1994, to all of
3 the following:
     Sec. 2. Section 34A.3, subsection 4, Code 1997, is amended
5 by striking the subsection.
                             EXPLANATION
     This bill provides that each public safety agency serving
8 territory within a county is entitled to voting membership on
9 the joint 911 service board. Currently, each political
10 subdivision of the state having a public safety agency serving
ll territory within the county is entitled to voting membership
12 on that board.
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