

**Senate File 271 - Introduced**

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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to voting membership on joint 911 service boards.  
2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 34A.3, subsection 1, paragraph a,  
2 subparagraphs (1) and (2), Code 2025, are amended to read as  
3 follows:

4 (1) Each political subdivision of the state located within  
5 the county and having a public safety agency serving territory  
6 within the county and each local emergency management agency  
7 as defined in section 29C.2 operating within the area is  
8 entitled to voting membership on the joint 911 service board.  
9 For the purposes of this section, a township that operates a  
10 volunteer fire department providing fire protection services to  
11 the township, or a city ~~which~~ that provides fire protection  
12 services through the operation of a volunteer fire department  
13 not financed through city government, shall be considered a  
14 political subdivision of the state having a public safety agency  
15 serving territory within the county. Each private safety agency  
16 operating within the area and each political subdivision of  
17 the state not located within the county, but having a public  
18 safety agency operating within the area, is entitled to nonvoting  
19 membership on the board.

20 (2) A township that does not operate its own public safety  
21 agency, but contracts for the provision of public safety  
22 services, is not entitled to membership on the joint 911 service  
23 board, but its contractor is entitled to membership according to  
24 the contractor's status as a public or private safety agency and  
25 whether the contractor is located within the county.

26 EXPLANATION

27 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
28 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

29 This bill relates to voting membership on a joint 911 service  
30 board.

31 Under current law, each political subdivision of the state  
32 that has a public safety agency serving territory within the  
33 county is entitled to voting membership on the joint 911 service  
34 board in that county.

35 The bill requires each political subdivision of the state

1 that has a public safety agency serving territory within the  
2 county to also be located within the county to be entitled to  
3 voting membership on the joint 911 service board, otherwise the  
4 political subdivision is entitled only to nonvoting membership.

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