

Georgia Emergency Communication Authority Board Meeting Update

The Georgia Emergency Communications Authority Board met on May 7, 2018, in Atlanta. The agenda included a report from the Public Safety Training Center on the progress of the development and implementation of Crisis Intervention Training for 911 Operators. Department of Revenue Commissioner, Lynn Riley, gave an update on the planning efforts for the implementation of H.B. 751. Commissioner Riley reported:

- New resolutions will be required by all local governments operating 911 centers. The authority staff and GEMA attorney are drafting a sample resolution that will be distributed shortly, the resolutions must be passed and submitted by **November 1, 2018**.
- The Authority and DOR are currently negotiating an MOU regarding the fee collections and disbursements.
- There will be two formats for provider reporting to DOR, one for pre-paid fees and one for post-paid fees.
- DOR will conduct training for service providers in the fall.
- DOR will require current bank account information for all jurisdictions, only ETF's will be used to remit funds to local jurisdictions.
- The prepaid split (based on population) will be based on the August population data and the distribution for the half year, July 1 – December 31, 2018 will occur in January of 2019.
- Fees received in January of 2019 will most likely be distributed mid-February.
- DOR will transfer all data on collections and remittance to the Authority, they will be responsible for any distribution of data.

The Board adjourned to attend the bill signing ceremony with the Governor.