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Overview

Authorizes counties to receive reimbursement for sales tax incurred when they implement the ARMER program. The financial assistance shall come from the 911 fee assessed to telephone users.

Section

1 Emergency telecommunications service fee; account. Authorizes the use of the emergency telecommunications service fee collected from telephone users to be distributed to counties to cover the amount of sales tax the counties incurred when they implement ARMER.

2 Public safety radio equipment; financial assistance.

Subd. 1. Fee. Requires that part of the emergency telecommunications fee be used to fund implementation and expansion of the region-wide public safety radio communication system.

Subd. 2. Eligible recipients. Counties that pay sales tax on products and services needed to implement ARMER after December 31, 2010, are eligible to be reimbursed for the amount of sales tax paid.