

HB 1942 -- EMERGENCY 911 BOARD MEMBERS IN POLK COUNTY

SPONSOR: Parson

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass by consent" by the Committee on Public Safety by a vote of 11 to 0.

Currently, county emergency telephone service 911 boards must consist of 11 members appointed by the county governing body with at least six members representing public safety agencies. This bill specifies that at least seven members of the Polk County board must represent specified public safety agencies including the county sheriff, county presiding commissioner, chief of police of the county seat, mayor of the county seat, president of the county fire association, and the chief executive officer and the director of emergency services of the memorial hospital located in the county seat.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2011, FY 2012, and FY 2013.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill will ensure that all local public safety agencies are included and participate in the decisions of the board.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Parson.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.