

1 AN ACT concerning emergency services.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Illinois Underground Utility Facilities
5 Damage Prevention Act is amended by adding Section 11.3 as
6 follows:

7 (220 ILCS 50/11.3 new)

8 Sec. 11.3. Emergency telephone system outages;
9 reimbursement. Any person who negligently damages an
10 underground facility or CATS facility causing an emergency
11 telephone system outage must reimburse the public safety
12 agency that provides personnel to answer calls or to maintain
13 or operate an emergency telephone system during the outage
14 for the agency's costs associated with answering calls or
15 maintaining or operating the system during the outage. For
16 the purposes of this Section, "public safety agency" means
17 the same as in Section 2.02 of the Emergency Telephone System
18 Act.

19 Section 10. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by
20 adding Section 7-504 as follows:

21 (625 ILCS 5/7-504 new)

22 Sec. 7-504. Emergency telephone system outages;
23 reimbursement. Any person who negligently causes a motor
24 vehicle accident that causes an emergency telephone system
25 outage must reimburse the public safety agency that provides
26 personnel to answer calls or to maintain or operate an
27 emergency telephone system during the outage for the agency's
28 costs associated with answering calls or maintaining or
29 operating the system during the outage. For the purposes of

1 this Section, "public safety agency" means the same as in
2 Section 2.02 of the Emergency Telephone System Act.