

Legislation Text

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IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

AN ORDINANCE renewing a tax of 1.25% on the tariff rate for each local telephone access line, not to exceed 100 lines per person or per location, for emergency telephone service utilizing a single three-digit number "911," through August 31, 2000. ORDINANCE 2916, May 24, 1999

INTRODUCED BY Terry Young, County Legislator

WHEREAS, §190.300 et seq., RSMo, as amended, authorized the County Legislature to establish a tax, upon a vote of the people, to finance an emergency telephone service, in an amount not to exceed two percent of the tariff rate, in those areas of the County where emergency 911 telephone service has been contracted for; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance 940, the proposal was submitted to the voters of Jackson County, on August 6, 1982, for their approval of such service and tax, in accordance with 190.320, RSMo, and a majority of the votes cast on the proposal were in favor thereof; and,

WHEREAS, Southwestern Bell, under contract with the County, presently provides 911 emergency telephone services to most areas of the County, and collects a tax of 1.25% of the tariff rate for this service, pursuant to Ordinance 2221; it is now appropriate that this tax be renewed in those areas; and,

WHEREAS, United Telephone, under contract with the County presently provides 911 emergency telephone service to certain other unincorporated areas of Jackson County and to the cities of Oak Grove, Buckner, Lake Lotawana, Lone Jack, Levasy, and Sibley, and collects a tax of 1.25% of the tariff rate for this service, pursuant to Ordinance 2221; it is now appropriate that this tax be renewed in those areas; and,

WHEREAS, the tax rate proposed does not exceed the rate authorized by the voters at the election of April 6, 1982; and,

WHEREAS, the Legislature has determined that, for the protection and preservation of public health and welfare, the operation of an emergency telephone system is beneficial to the citizens of the County; now therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri as follows:

1. A tax for emergency telephone service, in an amount not to exceed 1.25% of the tariff rate for each local telephone exchange access line not to exceed 100 lines per person per location, is renewed, in those portions of Jackson County for which 911 emergency telephone service has been contracted for; and,

2. Such tax shall be renewed, as specified herein, subject to adjustments in percentage provided for by 190.300 et seq., RSMo 1994, as amended.

3. Collection of said tax shall continue uninterrupted and expire on August 31, 2000. Effective Date: This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its signature by the County Executive.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

	County Counselor
	nce, Ordinance #2916 introduced on May 24, 1999, was duly passed on Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:
Yeas7	Nays0
Abstaining0	Absent2
nance is hereby transmitted to the County Executive for her signature.	

Date

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Mary Jo Brogoto, Clerk of Legislature

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I hereby approve the attached Ordinance #2916.

Date

Katheryn J. Shields, County Executive