**Account Name:** 9-1-1 Service Fees Account No. 5050

**Primary Agency: Commission on State Emergency Communications** 

**Legal Citation:** Texas Health and Safety Code, Chapter 771

## Table 1:

9-1-1 Services Fees Account No. 5050 Estimated Revenue and Appropriations (in Millions)

	2008-09	2010-11	2012-13
Estimated Revenue	\$109.2	\$127.6	\$113.0
Appropriations	\$105.7	\$105.8	\$76.0

Source: Comptroller of Public Accounts

## **Account Details:**

The 9-1-1 Services Fees Account No. 5050 is a General Revenue-Dedicated account created by House Bill 1983 by the Seventy-Sixth Legislature, 1999. Account No. 5050 was established to account for funds from 9-1-1 service fees collected by the state. In Texas, 9-1-1 services are provided by Regional Planning Commissions (RPCs), Emergency Communications Districts (ECDs), and Municipal Emergency Communications Districts (MECDs). Statute limits the use of funds in Account No. 5050 for planning, development, provision, and enhancement of 9-1-1 service or contracts with RPCs for 9-1-1 service. Local governments that operate the public safety answering points fund the operations and maintenance of dispatch centers and call taker salaries.

Funds deposited in the 9-1-1 Services Fees Account No. 5050 come from the following:

- Standard telephone service fee (wireline fees) Maximum of \$0.50 per month on each local exchange access line
- Wireless connection fees \$0.50 per month on each wireless communications connection
- Prepaid wireless fees Two percent of the purchase price of prepaid wireless telecommunications service

Wireline emergency service fees are collected by local services providers and remitted to the CPA for services provided in areas served by RPCs. ECDs and MECDs set their own wireline emergency service fees which are remitted directly to them by the service provider.

The wireless communication fee is initially remitted to and held in trust by the CPA in Fund 0875. Not later than 15 days after the wireless fees are collected, CSEC distributes funds to each ECD/MECD that does not participate in the state 9-1-1 system in proportion to the population of their service area to the population of the state. The remaining balance in Fund 0875 is then transferred monthly to 9-1-1 Services Fees Account No. 5050.

Prepaid wireless fees are collected by the seller of the service and remitted to the CPA. These funds are distributed in the same manner as the wireless communication fee.

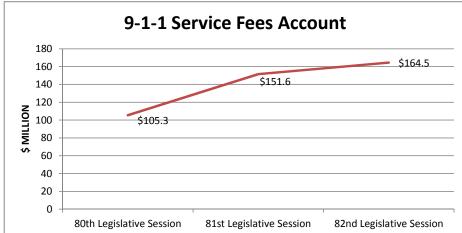


Figure 1: Estimated Balance Available to Certify General Appropriations Bill



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Source: Comptroller of Public Accounts