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House Committee on Veterans and Emergency Preparedness,

My name is Renee Heidy, the Director of Frontier Regional 911, providing 911 services to Gilliam, Wheeler, Sherman and Jefferson Counties. I am writing this letter showing our support of the much needed HB2449 with a few modifications, as 911 funding has remained flat for almost thirty years in Oregon. This flat rate has not taken in inflation or the never ending technological changes along with the public expectation of NextGen services.

Frontier Regional 911 would like to see language regarding the provisions considering population removed, leaving the 1% figure across all counties.

Frontier Regional 911 would also encourage the committee to reduce the OEM program fee from 4% to 2% and reduce DAS amount from 1% to .05%.

With the increased funding, Frontier Regional 911 would like to see language added allowing earned interest be held in an account to fund future 9-1-1 upgrades to evolving infrastructure (NextGen).

Respectfully Submitted,

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