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Rep. Lancia Holds Summit on Rhode Island's 911 Problem

Meets with First Responders to Discuss Solutions

STATE HOUSE -- Rep. Robert Lancia (R-Dist. 16, Cranston) will host a summit for first responders on March 19, 2018 from 6-8pm at the Cranston Central Library. The goal of the summit is to raise awareness about the issues facing Rhode Island's E-911 system and to discuss possible solutions.

Rep. Lancia, members of the Rhode Island Police Chiefs Association and the Rhode Island Fire Chiefs, as well as officials from the Rhode Island Medical Society will share their thoughts. The highlight of the evening will be the attendance and participation of Federal Communications Commission officials from Washington, D.C.

"I am very excited to sit down with our state's first responders about this issue. These men and women are out there every day keeping us safe, but without a properly funded 911 system, their job becomes much more difficult. I want to give them a chance to share their insights and look for solutions outside of the state house," stated Rep. Lancia.

Rep. Lancia has worked to improve Rhode Island's E-911 system after hearing concerns over funding and staff levels. Upon further investigation, Rep. Lancia found that the majority of the revenue intended to fund the 911 system has been diverted into the state's general fund.

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