

HOUSE BILL 316

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By: **Delegate Grammer**

Introduced and read first time: January 10, 2025

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Safety – 9–1–1 Emergency Telephone System – 9–1–1 Technician**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “9–1–1 specialist” to include certain 9–1–1
4 technicians; and generally relating to the 9–1–1 emergency telephone system.

5 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
6 Article – Public Safety
7 Section 1–301(a)
8 Annotated Code of Maryland
9 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
11 Article – Public Safety
12 Section 1–301(o)
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

15 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
16 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

17 **Article – Public Safety**

18 1–301.

19 (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

20 (o) **(1)** “9–1–1 specialist” means an employee of a county public safety
21 answering point, or an employee working in a county public safety answering point, whose
22 duties and responsibilities include:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 [(1)] (I) receiving and processing 9–1–1 requests for emergency services;

2 [(2)] (II) other support functions directly related to 9–1–1 requests for
3 emergency services; or

4 [(3)] (III) dispatching law enforcement officers, fire rescue services,
5 emergency medical services, and other public safety services to the scene of an emergency.

6 (2) “9–1–1 SPECIALIST” INCLUDES A 9–1–1 TECHNICIAN WHO IS AN
7 EMPLOYEE OF A PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINT OR AN EMPLOYEE WORKING IN
8 A PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINT.

9 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
10 October 1, 2025.