

# **E 911 and Broadband: Should the States Have Jurisdiction?**

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# District of Columbia Public Service Commission

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- ❑ Created by Congress in 1913 to regulate gas, electric, telephone, common carriers
- ❑ Independent Home Rule Charter agency
- ❑ Two Commissioners and Chairman appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the D.C. Council
- ❑ Staggered four year terms

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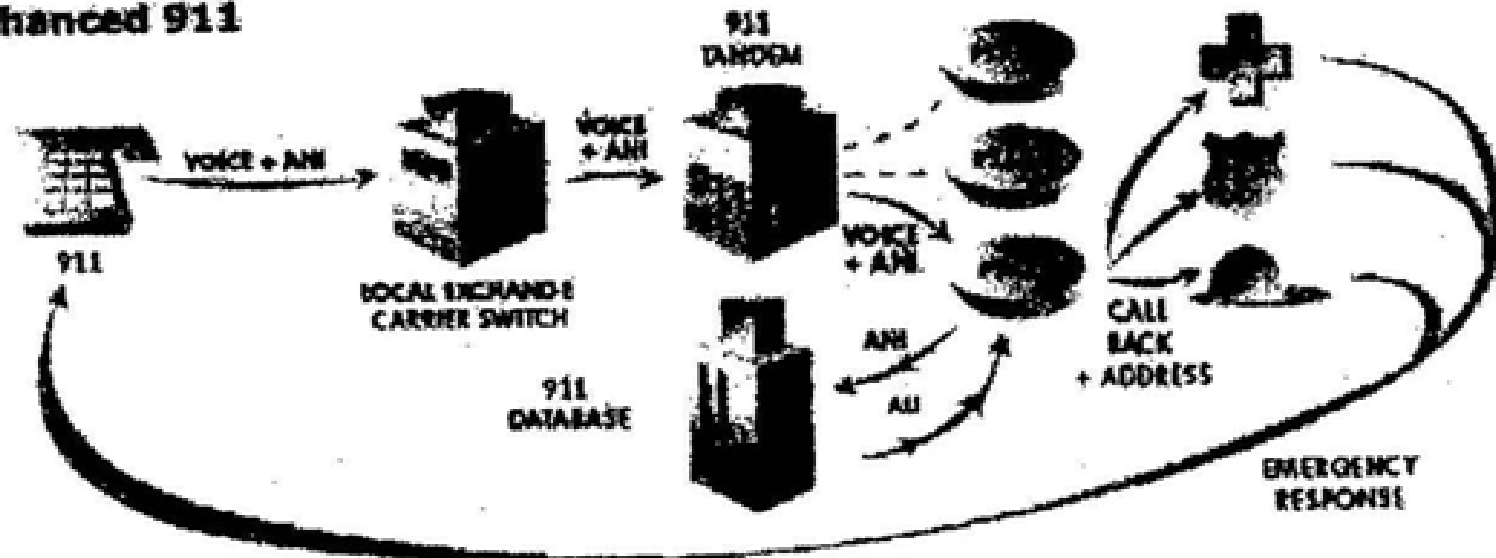
# Traditional Role

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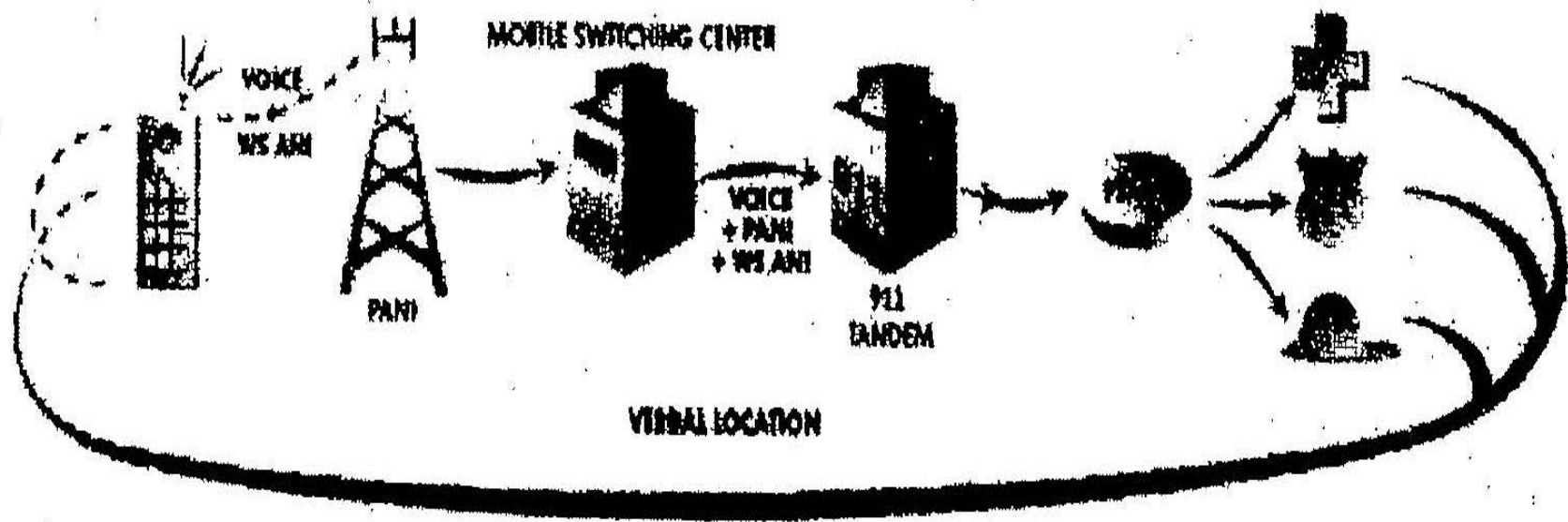
- ❑ 911 as part of wireline service
- ❑ Costs embedded in rate base

# E911 Schematic

## Enhanced 911



# E911 Wireless Schematic



# Evolving Role

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- ❑ Funding through explicit surcharges
- ❑ Service requirement for CLECs
- ❑ Service requirement for ETCs
- ❑ Government as customer
- ❑ TRS requirements
- ❑ Interconnection
- ❑ PSAP designation

# Challenges for State Commissions

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- ❑ No jurisdiction over most components and players
- ❑ Wireless, internet, VOIP
- ❑ Little or no control over most cost
- ❑ Coordination with other state and local agencies