

ORDINANCE NO. 1160

Multiple-Line Telephone Systems - Direct Dial
Known as "Kari's Law"

WHEREAS, pursuant to *Maryland Annotated Public Safety Article, Sec. 1-314*, the Board of County Commissioners for Somerset County, Maryland, (hereinafter "County") is required to adopt an Ordinance implementing the requirements and enforcement of the above referenced Article; and

WHEREAS, the County hereby adopts the rules and regulations established by the aforesaid Code;

ONE: DEFINITION - In this section, "multiple-line telephone system" means a system that:
(1) consists of common control units, telephone sets, control hardware and software, and adjunct systems, including network and premises-based systems; and
(2) is designed to aggregate more than one incoming voice communication channel for use by more than one telephone.

TWO: REQUIREMENTS

A person who installs or operates a multiple-line telephone system shall ensure that the system is connected to the public switched telephone network in such a way that when an individual using the system dials 9-1-1, the call connects to the public safety answering point without requiring the user to dial any other number or set of numbers.

THREE: ENFORCEMENT

The Somerset County Department of Technical and Community Services (DTCS) shall be responsible for enforcing the above requirements. Officers authorized by the DTCS may issue citations for civil infractions of this section.

FOUR: PENALTIES - Fines for violations of this Ordinance

(1) A person who violates this section shall be guilty of a civil infraction and be subject to a fine not to exceed \$250.00 per violation. Each day the violation continues shall constitute a separate violation.

(2) Revenue collected under paragraph Four of this subsection shall be returned to the county.

FIVE: TITLING

This Ordinance shall be known as "Kari's Law".

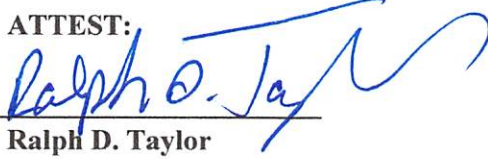
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED THAT THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR SOMERSET COUNTY, MARYLAND, HEREBY ADOPTS THE AFORESAID ORDINANCE KNOWN AS "KARI'S LAW".

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AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED AND ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall take effect on the 5th day of January .. 2021

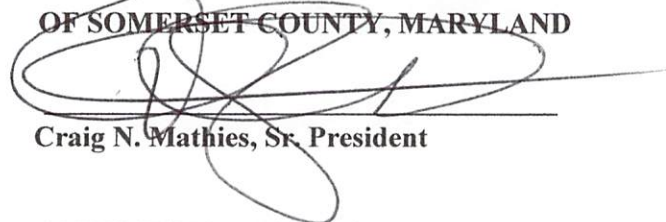
The undersigned hereby certifies that this Ordinance was approved and adopted on the 5 day of January 2021.

ATTEST:



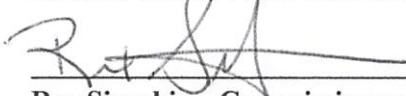
Ralph D. Taylor
County Administrator

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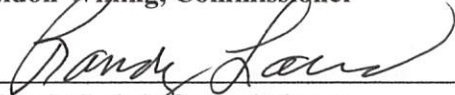
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