### Legal Title
State Emergency Telephone Number Account

### Legal Citation/Authority
- Chapter 443, Statutes of 1976 (AB 416)
- Revenue and Taxation Code section 41135

### Fund Classification

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### Purpose
This account was created to fund the costs of planning and implementing a uniform three-digit telephone number through which emergency services can be obtained. This includes payments to service suppliers or communications equipment companies, for installation and ongoing communications services supplied to local agencies in connection with the "911" emergency phone system. Previous law provided for such a system but did not provide a funding mechanism to reimburse the providers of the service. This fund also pays for the administrative costs of the department and the administrative costs of the State Board of Equalization payments to local agencies for approved incremental costs. Some refunds may also be paid from this fund.

### Administering Agency/Organization Code
Office of Emergency Services/Org 0690

### Major Revenue Source
Surcharges on intrastate telephone communications services in this state pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code section 41020 (a).

### Disposition of Fund (upon abolishment)
Pursuant to Government Code section 16346, absent language that identifies a successor fund, any balance remaining in this fund upon abolishment, shall be transferred to the General Fund.

### Appropriation Authority
Moneys in this fund are available upon appropriation by the Legislature.

### State Appropriations Limit
**Excluded** – The major revenue source for this fund has a logical, direct relationship between the use or purposes and the payers from whom it was collected. Therefore, revenues in this fund are not the proceeds of taxes, however, when transferred may become proceeds of taxes.

### Comments/ Historical Information
Revenue and Taxation Code section 41020 provides for a surcharge on intrastate telephone communications services in this state, at a rate of one-half of one percent, commencing July 1, 1977. 

Section Revenue and Taxation Code section 41030 provides that the State Board of Equalization shall set the rate for each fiscal year, commencing with 1978-79 fiscal year in an amount estimated to produce...
sufficient revenue to fund the expenditures from the account as authorized by the Budget Act, not to exceed three-quarters of one percent.

Administering org changed from Department of General Services/Org 1760 to Office of the State Chief Information Officer/Org 0502, effective October 19, 2009.

Chapter 404, Statutes of 2010 (AB 2408) Section 67 renamed the Office of the State Chief Information Officer to the California Technology Agency, effective January 1, 2011.

Pursuant to the Governor’s Reorganization Plan 2, the Administering Agency changed from California Technology Agency/Org 0502 to the Department of Technology/Org 7502, effective July 1, 2013.

Chapter 28, Statutes of 2013 (SB 71) Section 78 amended Revenue and Taxation Code section 41030 changing the Administering Agency from the Department of Technology/Org 7502 to the Office of Emergency Services/Org 0690, effective June 27, 2013.