

**Utah  
Communications  
Authority's  
Presentation to the  
Executive Offices  
and Criminal Justice  
Appropriations  
Subcommittee**

Tuesday, January 31, 2023



# Who is UCA?

- According Utah Code Ann. §63H-7a-102, UCA:
  - Provides administrative and financial support for statewide 911 emergency services; and
  - Establishes and maintains a statewide public safety communications network.
- Simply put, UCA is in charge of:
  - Radio
  - 911 Support
  - Interoperability

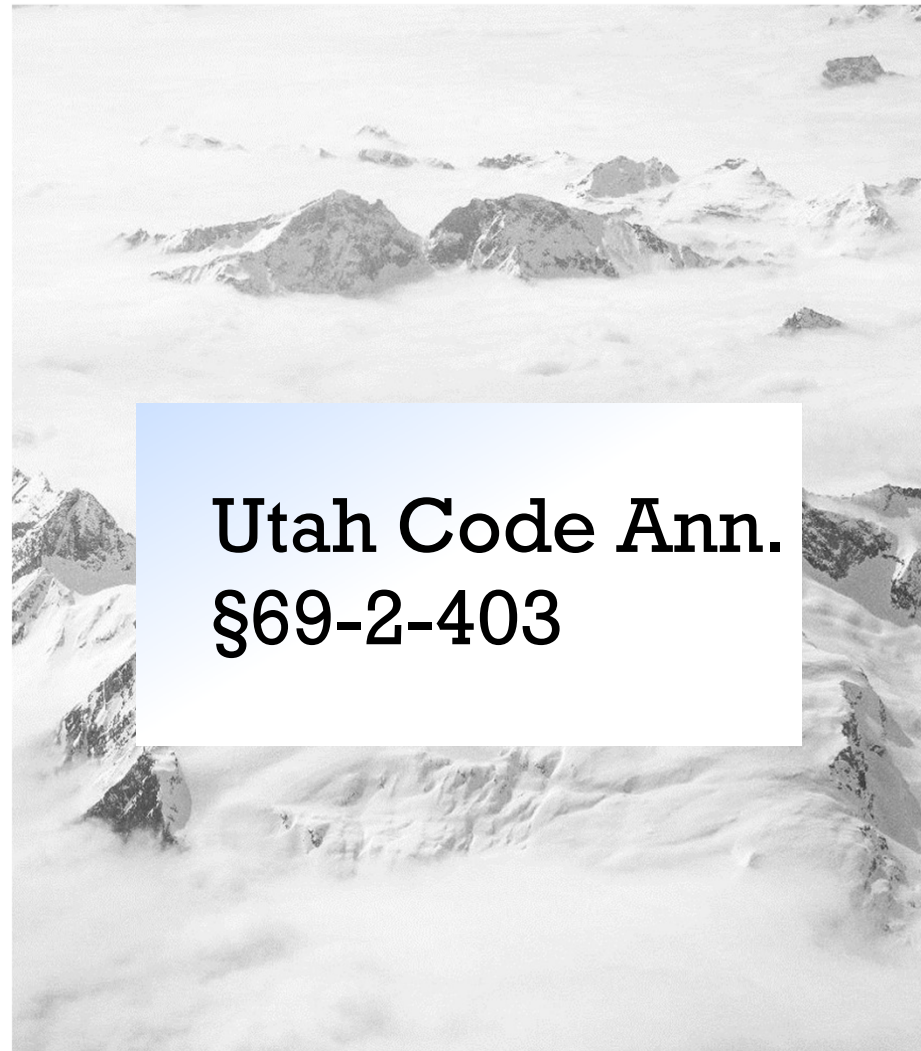








- Provides for a \$.25 monthly service charge for the purpose of “enhancing and maintaining the statewide public safety communications network and 911 call processing equipment in order to rapidly, efficiently, effectively, and with greater interoperability deliver 911 services in the state.” Utah Code Ann. §63H-7a-304(2)(a).
- Approximately 3.5 million lines in Utah generating approximately \$10.5 million (incl. prepaid).
- \$.01, approximately \$420,000, goes directly to UGRC leaving approximately \$10 million to be appropriated annually to UCA, as shown in SB6.
- The largest 911 expenditure is the statewide call-handling equipment and NG911 Network.
- Section 304.5 of the Utah Communications Authority Act also provides for UCA to distribute a portion of these funds to Utah’s PSAPs.
- The remaining funds are used for other 911 expenses and overhead and PSAP training.



**Utah Code Ann.  
§69-2-403**

## Utah Code Ann. §69-2-404

- Provides for a \$.52 monthly service charge which is divided \$.18 for UCA's radio operations and maintenance of the legacy radio network and \$.34 for the purpose of upgrading the network to the P25 technology.
- With approximately 3.5 million phone lines (plus prepaid phone lines), the \$.18 generates approximately \$8 million per year and the \$.34 generates approximately \$14 million per year, as listed on SB6.
- Proceeds from the \$.18 are currently being used to maintain the Legacy radio network and expand the overall radio system as well as to address the State's interoperability needs and to pay certain UCA overhead expenses. Since 2017 UCA has added 17 additional sites and hopes to add another 6 in 2023.
- Proceeds from the \$.34 are being used to pay contract amounts with L3Harris Technologies, Inc., the contract vendor for the P25 upgrade as well as to update and upgrade existing infrastructure and backhaul to support the P25 system.





# Appropriation Request

- From the Statewide Unified E-911 Emergency Account - \$10 million.
- From the Utah Statewide Radio System Account - \$22 million.
  - This is comprised of \$8 million for maintenance of the legacy system, expansion of the system, and UCA overhead and other costs;
  - And \$14 million for replacement of the legacy system with the new P25 radio system.

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, or to learn more about UCA and its mission/goals, please visit our website, [www.uca911.org](http://www.uca911.org), or contact:

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