

By: Representative Eubanks

To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 1409

1 AN ACT TO REQUIRE EMPLOYERS OF 911 EMERGENCY DISPATCHERS IN
2 THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI TO PROVIDE THE SAME EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS
3 TO DISPATCHERS AS PROVIDED TO FIRST RESPONDERS, INCLUDING, BUT NOT
4 LIMITED TO, ANY EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS THAT PROVIDE FOR COUNSELING OR
5 THERAPY; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

7 **SECTION 1.** Employers of 911 emergency dispatchers in the
8 State of Mississippi shall provide the same employment benefits to
9 dispatchers as provided to first responders, including, but not
10 limited to, any employment benefits that provide for counseling or
11 therapy.

12 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
13 and after July 1, 2022.

