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## PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU ANNOUNCES JANUARY 6, 2020, EFFECTIVE DATE OF NEW RULES IMPLEMENTING KARI'S LAW AND SECTION 506 OF RAY BAUM'S ACT

PS Docket Nos. 18-261 and 17-239, GN Docket No. 11-117

By this Public Notice, the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau (Bureau) announces the effective date of the rules adopted in the *Report and Order* implementing Kari's Law Act of 2017<sup>1</sup> and Section 506 of RAY BAUM'S Act.<sup>2</sup>

The Commission adopted the *Report and Order* in the above-referenced rulemaking proceedings on August 1, 2019.<sup>3</sup> Pursuant to Kari's Law, the Commission adopted rules requiring direct dialing and central notification for 911 calls from multi-line telephone systems (MLTS).<sup>4</sup> Under Section 506 of RAY BAUM's Act, the Commission adopted dispatchable location requirements for MLTS, fixed telephony, interconnected Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) services, Internet-based Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS), and mobile text service.<sup>5</sup> In addition, the Commission consolidated existing 911 rules from parts 12, 20, 25, and 64 of the Code of Federal Regulations under revised part 9.<sup>6</sup> A summary of the *Report and Order* was published in the *Federal Register* on December 5, 2019.<sup>7</sup>

The rules adopted in the *Report and Order* will take effect on January 6, 2020, with the exception of rules containing information collection requirements that must be approved by the Office of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Kari's Law Act of 2017, Pub. L. No. 115-127, 132 Stat. 326 (2018) (codified at 47 U.S.C. § 623) (Kari's Law).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Section 506 of the Repack Airwaves Yielding Better Access for Users of Modern Services Act of 2018 (RAY BAUM'S Act), Pub. L. No. 115-141, 132 Stat. 348, 1095 (codified at 47 U.S.C. § 615 note).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Implementing Kari's Law and Section 506 of RAY BAUM'S Act; Inquiry Concerning 911 Access, Routing, and Location in Enterprise Communications Systems; Amending the Definition of Interconnected VoIP Service in Section 9.3 of the Commission's Rules, PS Docket Nos. 18-261 and 17-239, GN Docket No. 11-117, Report and Order, 34 FCC Rcd 6607 (2019) (Report and Order), corrected by Implementing Kari's Law and Section 506 of RAY BAUM'S Act; Inquiry Concerning 911 Access, Routing, and Location in Enterprise Communications Systems; Amending the Definition of Interconnected VoIP Service in Section 9.3 of the Commission's Rules, PS Docket Nos. 18-261 and 17-239, GN Docket No. 11-117, Erratum, DA 19-1217 (PSHSB Dec. 2, 2019) (Erratum).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Report and Order, 34 FCC Rcd at 6612-55, paras. 14-136.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See id. at 6655-98, paras. 137-232.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See id. at 6698-6702, paras. 233-40.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> 84 Fed. Reg. 66716 (Dec. 5, 2019).

Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA).<sup>8</sup> Rules containing information collection requirements subject to OMB approval will become effective after the Bureau publishes a notice in the *Federal Register* announcing OMB approval and the relevant effective date.<sup>9</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> The Commission in the *Report and Order* noted that the requirements in Sections 9.8(a); 9.10(q)(10)(v); 9.11(b)(2)(ii), (iv); 9.11(b)(4); 9.11(b)(5)(ii), (iii); 9.14(d)(2)(ii), (iii), and (v); 9.14(d)(4); 9.14(e)(2)(ii), (iv); 9.14(e)(4); and 9.16(b)(3)(i), (ii), and (iii) contain new or modified information collections that require review by OMB under the PRA. *See Report and Order*, 34 FCC Rcd at 6703, para. 246; *see also Erratum*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> See Report and Order, 34 FCC Rcd at 6703, para. 246.