Dear [Representative's Name],

I am writing to urge you to support the inclusion of Amendment HC 0401 in Ohio House Bill 96, which proposes an increase in the 9-1-1 user/device fee to $1.00 per device.

As you may be aware, the current fee is only $0.40 per device, which is a significant reduction from the $0.70 fee proposed by the Ohio 9-1-1 Steering Committee’s PSAP Operations Subcommittee last year. Additionally, the $0.40 is not generating the revenue that was projected when it was implanted.

The device fee plays a crucial role in funding the development and ongoing maintenance of a Next Generation 9-1-1 system in Ohio. The costs of equipping, maintaining, and operating a Next Generation 9-1-1 PSAP are rising, and the proposed fee increase is essential to ensuring that Ohio’s 9-1-1 system remains effective and sustainable.

I strongly encourage you to take action by including HC 0401 in the list of amendments for HB 96. The deadline for amendments is March 14th, so I respectfully ask that you prioritize this important issue before then.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Your support on this issue would make a significant impact on the continued safety and well-being of Ohio’s residents.

Sincerely,  
[Your Full Name]  
[Your Title/Organization]  
[Your Contact Information]