

**RULES
OF
THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND INSURANCE
EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS BOARD**

**CHAPTER 0780-06-05
BOARD MEETINGS**

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0780-06-05-.01 PURPOSE.

The purpose of this chapter is to set forth the specific board meeting procedures to ensure transparency of board actions regarding special distributions of board funds.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 7-86-302, 7-86-303, and 7-86-306(a)(1). **Administrative History:** Original rules filed August 28, 2018; effective November 26, 2018.

0780-06-05-.02 DEFINITIONS.

- (1) In this chapter, unless the context requires otherwise, the definitions in Tenn. Code Ann. § 7-86-103 shall apply.
- (2) Unless otherwise stated, as used in this chapter and each subsequent chapter of the Rules of the Emergency Communications Board, “special distribution” means a one-time, nonrecurring distribution of funds authorized by the board and made to all districts that is not a base amount distribution, a T.C.A. § 7-86-130 distribution, or a reimbursement for expenditures or payment of obligations incurred to implement, operate, maintain, or enhance statewide wireless enhanced 911 service.

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0780-06-05-.03 SPECIAL DISTRIBUTIONS.

- (1) The board may authorize special distributions to all ECDs from the 911 Emergency Communications Fund.
- (2) Any such special distributions authorized by the board, regardless of the total dollar amount, shall be allocated to the ECDs in the same manner as base amount distribution pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 7-86-303(e) in that each district shall receive a proportionate share of the authorized special distribution in an amount equal to the district’s proportionate share of the annual base amount distribution. For example, if a district receives 1% of the total base funding, that district shall receive 1% of the special distribution.
- (3) The board shall provide public notice indicating the board’s intent to authorize a special distribution. The public notice shall:
 - (a) Be provided to all ECDs and published on the board’s website no less than thirty (30) days prior to the next scheduled meeting of the board; and

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- (b) Contain an appended table, for reference, containing the distributions each ECD would receive under three (3) different total amounts of special distributions.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 7-86-128, 7-86-130, 7-86-302, 7-86-303, and 7-86-306(a)(1). **Administrative History:** Original rules filed August 28, 2018; effective November 26, 2018.