**Section 1329.120 Duties**

a) The Department has the following responsibilities under the Act:

1) To adopt rules governing carrier remittances under ETSA Section 20 and surcharge disbursements to 9-1-1 Authorities under ETSA Section 30;

2) To develop and maintain a database of 9-1-1 Authorities eligible to receive grants and carriers required to collect surcharges under the Act;

3) To collect and allocate surcharges remitted by carriers into the Fund and the WCRF;

4) To make monthly surcharge disbursements to eligible 9-1-1 Authorities;

5) To account for all surcharges collected and monies disbursed;

6) To pay all 9-1-1 network costs for systems outside of municipalities having a population of at least 500,000;

7) To maintain auditable records of receipts and disbursements;

8) To procure and enter into a contract with a vendor certified under Section 13-900 of the Public Utilities Act to establish a statewide Next Generation 9-1-1 network;

9) To prescribe a form and manner for the transmittal of financial reports due annually to the Department from the 9-1-1 Authorities; and

10) To resolve disputes as required by the Act.

b) The Advisory Board has the responsibility under the Act to determine which costs are directly related to the operation of the 9-1-1 network.