911 Telecommunicator Pension Benefits Working Group

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To: Members of the 911 Telecommunicator Pension Benefits Working Group

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Subject: Legislative Policy on 911 Telecommunicators and the PERA Correctional Plan

The League supports:

a) Maintaining the current definition of covered employees for the PERA corrections plan, which does not include dispatchers due to the substantial differences between the dispatchers and the existing corrections positions covered by this plan.

This policy was originally discussed and adopted around the time of the 2003 study, "Mandated Study of Retirement Coverage for Emergency Dispatchers". It has slightly evolved over the years but LMC's existing policies are reviewed each year to confirm whether committee members still support the position and then the policies are re-adopted if approved by the committee and the LMC Board of Directors. This policy is still in effect, as of August 13, 2021.