



# *Malheur County Sheriff*

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Commander

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### **SUPPORT FOR HB 2449**

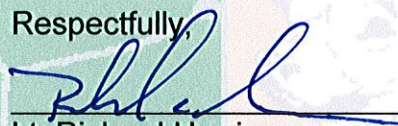
The **Malheur County Emergency Management and Malheur County 911** strongly advocate for HB2449.

Projections for how planned changes would affect our local PSAP (Public Safety Answering Point) show that increased revenue from this bill would FULLY fund our Dispatch Center. Our center is currently funded about 35% from the 911 tax, 20% by the County and 45% from the Incorporated Cities through usage fees. These proposed changes would save the county alone over \$200,000. Over \$240,000 for the City of Ontario.

The fees incurred on each mobile phone and data card are negligible, compared to the benefit our county and cities get in the fiscal savings. As a mobile phone user and father and husband of cell phone users, I can tell you that we are more than willing to pay an extra .75 each month, per phone to help benefit our PSAP.

HB 2449 is a win/win with very little down side.

Respectfully,



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Lt. Richard Harriman,  
Malheur County Emergency Manager/  
911 Division Commander