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(Neb.)- Nebraska Looking At Ways To Expand 911 Services

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LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) - Nebraska is looking at ways to expand its 911 services so dispatchers can gather more information in an emergency.

New technology is allowing cellphone users to transmit photos, and private security cameras may inadvertently record a crime in progress, but it's unclear whether the state is ready to harness it all.

Sen. Scott Price of Bellevue is pushing for a study that would see how Nebraska is faring when it comes to adopting the new technology. Price will present his proposal Monday to the Legislature's Transportation and Telecommunications Committee.

The state's Public Service Commission would initiate the study and report back to lawmakers. The commission would pay for it through the state's Enhanced Wireless 911 fund, which comes from cellphone fees.