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I am a dispatcher at the Derby PSAP. I just want to go on record that I believe there must be other ways to to reconcile this issue. I don't feel that losing jobs in the Northeast Kingdom is a responsible decision by the Governor or Commissioner. I have to believe that there are other cuts, or revenue to be had elsewhere.

Commissioner Flynn has repeatedly said that there will be no change in the service the public receives, but I can't imagine how they came to this conclusion. I have never seen him in this office to learn about what we do, or ask any of us any questions about what happens in a PSAP.

How can you possibly make an informed decision about peoples livelihoods without knowing the facts? Unless you have been in a dispatch center during a snowstorm, or a bad thunderstorm, or any other big incident, you cannot imagine the amount of call volume.

The technology MAY be there to make this consolidation work, but if they think that it will be a major cost savings, or that it will cut down on overtime, they are mistaken. The Williston PSAP is already overwhelmed with overtime, and staffing issues, and this consolidation is going to make things so much worse.

Thank you so much for taking the time to listen to us, and we remain hopeful for a positive outcome for the dispatchers, as well as the public and responders.

Sincerely,

Gina St Sauveur