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Senator MacDonald moves that the bill be amended by adding Sec. 27a and an accompanying reader assistance heading to read as follows:

\* \* \* State-owned 2G Microcells; Municipal Use \* \* \*

Sec. 27a. 2G MICROCELLS; MUNICIPALITIES; EMERGENCY SERVICES

The Commissioner of Public Service is authorized to spend up to \$100,000.00<sup>1</sup> for contractual services to provide resources and technical assistance to municipalities seeking to acquire or use already-installed, State-owned, 2G microcells for the purpose of providing emergency communications in areas that otherwise would not have access to mobile wireless E-911 service, consistent with the objectives of prior State investments in microcell network infrastructure. Technical assistance shall include a cost-benefit analysis, which shall include consideration of rates and charges related to electric, backhaul, and geolocation services, pole rental fees, backup-power requirements, co-location requirements, the use of radio spectrum, and the negotiation of roaming agreements with national wireless providers.

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<sup>1</sup> One-time appropriation from: General Fund or Connectivity Fund? Or from the FY 2019 \$900k capital appropriation, provided it would be a permissible use of capital funds?  
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