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An Act To Amend the Maine Emergency Medical Services Act of 1982

Submitted by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to Joint Rule 204.
Reference to the Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety suggested and ordered
printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Heather J.R. Priest".

HEATHER J.R. PRIEST
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator DUTREMBLE of York.
Cosponsored by Representative LAJOIE of Lewiston and
Senators: BURNS of Washington, GERZOFSKY of Cumberland, WILLETTE of Aroostook,
Representatives: GERRISH of Lebanon, KINNEY of Knox.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §83, sub-§6**, as amended by PL 2011, c. 271, §3, is further
3 amended to read:

4 **6. Basic emergency medical services person.** "Basic emergency medical services
5 person" means a person licensed to perform basic emergency medical treatment.
6 Licensed ~~first~~ emergency medical responders and basic emergency medical technicians
7 are basic emergency medical services persons.

8 **Sec. 2. 32 MRSA §83, sub-§13-A**, as enacted by PL 1999, c. 182, §6, is amended
9 to read:

10 **13-A. Emergency medical responder.** "~~First~~ Emergency medical responder" means
11 an emergency medical services person who has successfully completed the Maine
12 Emergency Medical Services course for ~~first~~ emergency medical responders and has met
13 the other requirements for licensure at this level.

14 **Sec. 3. 32 MRSA §83, sub-§16-B**, as amended by PL 2011, c. 271, §5, is further
15 amended to read:

16 **16-B. Medical Direction and Practices Board.** "Medical Direction and Practices
17 Board" means the board consisting of each regional medical director, ~~a representative of~~
18 an emergency physician representing the Maine Chapter of the American College of
19 Emergency Medicine Physicians, an at-large member, a licensed pharmacist, the
20 statewide assistant emergency medical services medical director and the statewide
21 emergency medical services medical director. The Medical Direction and Practices
22 Board is responsible for creation, adoption and maintenance of Maine Emergency
23 Medical Services protocols.

24 **Sec. 4. 32 MRSA §86, sub-§1**, as amended by PL 1995, c. 161, §7, is further
25 amended to read:

26 **1. Ambulance services and nontransporting medical services to be licensed.**
27 Every ambulance service and nontransporting emergency medical service must be
28 licensed, operate in accordance with the rules adopted and protocols developed for
29 services under this chapter and carry the equipment called for in those rules.

30 **Sec. 5. 32 MRSA §87**, as amended by PL 1991, c. 588, §15, is further amended to
31 read:

32 **§87. Ambulances**

33 Each ambulance must be licensed pursuant to this chapter. It must also meet the
34 design criteria and ~~shall~~ must be equipped as specified in rules adopted under this
35 chapter.

36 **Sec. 6. 32 MRSA §90-A, sub-§4, ¶D**, as amended by PL 2001, c. 229, §7, is
37 repealed.

1 medical director and to specify that the representative of the Maine Chapter of the
2 American College of Emergency Medicine Physicians must be an emergency physician;

3 3. Removes a requirement that the Emergency Medical Services' Board or its staff
4 must request the Attorney General to file a complaint in District Court to commence
5 either full or emergency proceedings to suspend a license for more than a year or to
6 revoke a license when the board or its staff concludes to so suspend or revoke the license
7 is in order;

8 4. Requires applicants and licensees to notify the Emergency Medical Services'
9 Board regarding name and address changes, criminal convictions, actions taken by
10 another regulatory agency against any of their occupational and professional licenses and
11 material changes to their conditions and qualifications set forth in their original
12 applications for licensure; and

13 5. Repeals the law establishing the Epinephrine Training Fund.