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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 5828

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 5828 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Systems
5 Act is amended by changing Section 3.87 as follows:

6 (210 ILCS 50/3.87)

7 Sec. 3.87. Ambulance service provider and vehicle service
8 provider upgrades; rural population.

9 (a) In this Section, "rural ambulance service provider"
10 means an ambulance service provider licensed under this Act
11 that serves a rural population of 7,500 or fewer inhabitants.

12 In this Section, "rural vehicle service provider" means an
13 entity that serves a rural population of 7,500 or fewer
14 inhabitants and is licensed by the Department to provide
15 emergency or non-emergency medical services in compliance with
16 this Act, the rules adopted by the Department pursuant to this

1 Act, and an operational plan approved by the entity's EMS
2 System, utilizing at least an ambulance, alternate response
3 vehicle as defined by the Department in rules, or specialized
4 emergency medical services vehicle.

5 (b) A rural ambulance service provider or rural vehicle
6 service provider may submit a proposal to the EMS System
7 Medical Director requesting approval of either or both of the
8 following:

9 (1) Rural ambulance service provider or rural vehicle
10 service provider in-field service level upgrade.

11 (A) An ambulance operated by a rural ambulance
12 service provider or a specialized emergency medical
13 services vehicle or alternate response vehicle
14 operated by a rural vehicle service provider may be
15 upgraded, as defined by the EMS System Medical Director
16 in a policy or procedure, as long as the EMS System
17 Medical Director and the Department have approved the
18 proposal, to the highest level of EMT license (advanced
19 life support/paramedic, intermediate life support, or
20 basic life support) held by any person staffing that
21 ambulance, specialized emergency medical services
22 vehicle, or alternate response vehicle. The ambulance
23 service provider's or rural vehicle service provider's
24 proposal for an upgrade must include all of the
25 following:

26 (i) The manner in which the provider will

1 secure and store advanced life support equipment,
2 supplies, and medications.

3 (ii) The type of quality assurance the
4 provider will perform.

5 (iii) An assurance that the provider will
6 advertise only the level of care that can be
7 provided 24 hours a day.

8 (iv) A statement that the provider will have
9 that vehicle inspected by the Department annually.

10 (B) If a rural ambulance service provider or rural
11 vehicle service provider is approved to provide an
12 in-field service level upgrade based on the licensed
13 personnel on the vehicle, all the advanced life support
14 medical supplies, durable medical equipment, and
15 medications must be environmentally controlled,
16 secured, and locked with access by only the personnel
17 who have been authorized by the EMS System Medical
18 Director to utilize those supplies.

19 (C) The EMS System shall routinely perform quality
20 assurance, in compliance with the EMS System's quality
21 assurance plan approved by the Department, on in-field
22 service level upgrades authorized under this Section
23 to ensure compliance with the EMS System plan.

24 (2) Rural ambulance service provider or rural vehicle
25 service provider in-field service level upgrade. The EMS
26 System Medical Director may define what constitutes an

1 in-field service level upgrade through an EMS System policy
2 or procedure. An in-field service level upgrade may
3 include, but need not be limited to, an upgrade to a
4 licensed ambulance, alternate response vehicle ~~as defined~~
5 ~~by the Department in rules~~, or specialized emergency
6 medical services vehicle.

7 (c) If the EMS System Medical Director approves a proposal
8 for a rural in-field service level upgrade under this Section,
9 he or she shall submit the proposal to the Department along
10 with a statement of approval signed by him or her. Once the
11 Department has approved the proposal, the rural ambulance
12 service provider or rural vehicle service provider will be
13 authorized to function at the highest level of EMT license
14 (advanced life support/paramedic, intermediate life support,
15 or basic life support) held by any person staffing the vehicle.
16 (Source: P.A. 98-608, eff. 12-27-13.)

17 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
18 becoming law."