

1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 1329

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 1329 by replacing
3 line 5 with the following:
4 "Act is amended by changing Sections 3.50, 3.55, and 3.155 as
5 follows:

- 6 (210 ILCS 50/3.50)
- 7 Sec. 3.50. Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Licensure.
- 8 (a) "Emergency Medical Technician-Basic" or "EMT-B"
9 means a person who has successfully completed a course of
10 instruction in basic life support as prescribed by the
11 Department, is currently licensed by the Department in
12 accordance with standards prescribed by this Act and rules
13 adopted by the Department pursuant to this Act, and practices
14 within an EMS System.
- 15 (b) "Emergency Medical Technician-Intermediate" or
16 "EMT-I" means a person who has successfully completed a
17 course of instruction in intermediate life support as
18 prescribed by the Department, is currently licensed by the
19 Department in accordance with standards prescribed by this
20 Act and rules adopted by the Department pursuant to this Act,
21 and practices within an Intermediate or Advanced Life Support
22 EMS System.
- 23 (c) "Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic" or "EMT-P"

1 means a person who has successfully completed a course of
2 instruction in advanced life support care as prescribed by
3 the Department, is licensed by the Department in accordance
4 with standards prescribed by this Act and rules adopted by
5 the Department pursuant to this Act, and practices within an
6 Advanced Life Support EMS System.

7 (d) The Department shall have the authority and
8 responsibility to:

9 (1) Prescribe education and training requirements,
10 which includes training in the use of epinephrine, for
11 all levels of EMT, based on the respective national
12 curricula of the United States Department of
13 Transportation and any modifications to such curricula
14 specified by the Department through rules adopted
15 pursuant to this Act;

16 (2) Prescribe licensure testing requirements for
17 all levels of EMT, which shall include a requirement that
18 all phases of instruction, training, and field experience
19 be completed before taking the EMT licensure examination.
20 Candidates may elect to take the National Registry of
21 Emergency Medical Technicians examination in lieu of the
22 Department's examination, but are responsible for making
23 their own arrangements for taking the National Registry
24 examination;

25 (3) License individuals as an EMT-B, EMT-I, or
26 EMT-P who have met the Department's education, training
27 and testing requirements;

28 (4) Prescribe annual continuing education and
29 relicensure requirements for all levels of EMT;

30 (5) Relicense individuals as an EMT-B, EMT-I, or
31 EMT-P every 4 years, based on their compliance with
32 continuing education and relicensure requirements;

33 (6) Grant inactive status to any EMT who qualifies,
34 based on standards and procedures established by the

1 Department in rules adopted pursuant to this Act;

2 (7) Charge each candidate for EMT a fee to be
3 submitted with an application for a licensure
4 examination;

5 (8) Suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew the license
6 of an EMT, after an opportunity for a hearing, when
7 findings show one or more of the following:

8 (A) The EMT has not met continuing education
9 or relicensure requirements as prescribed by the
10 Department;

11 (B) The EMT has failed to maintain proficiency
12 in the level of skills for which he or she is
13 licensed;

14 (C) The EMT, during the provision of medical
15 services, engaged in dishonorable, unethical or
16 unprofessional conduct of a character likely to
17 deceive, defraud or harm the public;

18 (D) The EMT has failed to maintain or has
19 violated standards of performance and conduct as
20 prescribed by the Department in rules adopted
21 pursuant to this Act or his or her EMS System's
22 Program Plan;

23 (E) The EMT is physically impaired to the
24 extent that he or she cannot physically perform the
25 skills and functions for which he or she is
26 licensed, as verified by a physician, unless the
27 person is on inactive status pursuant to Department
28 regulations;

29 (F) The EMT is mentally impaired to the extent
30 that he or she cannot exercise the appropriate
31 judgment, skill and safety for performing the
32 functions for which he or she is licensed, as
33 verified by a physician, unless the person is on
34 inactive status pursuant to Department regulations;

1 or

2 (G) The EMT has violated this Act or any rule
3 adopted by the Department pursuant to this Act.

4 (e) In the event that any rule of the Department or an
5 EMS Medical Director that requires testing for drug use as a
6 condition for EMT licensure conflicts with or duplicates a
7 provision of a collective bargaining agreement that requires
8 testing for drug use, that rule shall not apply to any person
9 covered by the collective bargaining agreement.

10 (Source: P.A. 89-177, eff. 7-19-95.)

11 (210 ILCS 50/3.55)

12 Sec. 3.55. Scope of practice.

13 (a) Any person currently licensed as an EMT-B, EMT-I, or
14 EMT-P may perform emergency and non-emergency medical
15 services as defined in this Act, in accordance with his or
16 her level of education, training and licensure, the standards
17 of performance and conduct prescribed by the Department in
18 rules adopted pursuant to this Act, and the requirements of
19 the EMS System in which he or she practices, as contained in
20 the approved Program Plan for that System.

21 (a-5) A person currently approved as a First Responder
22 or licensed as an EMT-B, EMT-I, or EMT-P who has successfully
23 completed a Department approved course in automated
24 defibrillator operation and who is functioning within a
25 Department approved EMS System may utilize such automated
26 defibrillator according to the standards of performance and
27 conduct prescribed by the Department in rules adopted
28 pursuant to this Act and the requirements of the EMS System
29 in which he or she practices, as contained in the approved
30 Program Plan for that System.

31 (a-7) A person currently licensed as an EMT-B, EMT-I, or
32 EMT-P who has successfully completed a Department approved
33 course in the administration of epinephrine, shall be

1 required to carry epinephrine with him or her as part of the
2 EMT medical supplies whenever he or she is performing the
3 duties of an emergency medical technician.

4 (b) A person currently licensed as an EMT-B, EMT-I, or
5 EMT-P may only practice as an EMT or utilize his or her EMT
6 license in pre-hospital or inter-hospital emergency care
7 settings or non-emergency medical transport situations, under
8 the written or verbal direction of the EMS Medical Director.
9 For purposes of this Section, a "pre-hospital emergency care
10 setting" may include a location, that is not a health care
11 facility, which utilizes EMTs to render pre-hospital
12 emergency care prior to the arrival of a transport vehicle.
13 The location shall include communication equipment and all of
14 the portable equipment and drugs appropriate for the EMT's
15 level of care, as required by this Act, rules adopted by the
16 Department pursuant to this Act, and the protocols of the EMS
17 Systems, and shall operate only with the approval and under
18 the direction of the EMS Medical Director.

19 This Section shall not prohibit an EMT-B, EMT-I, or EMT-P
20 from practicing within an emergency department or other
21 health care setting for the purpose of receiving continuing
22 education or training approved by the EMS Medical Director.
23 This Section shall also not prohibit an EMT-B, EMT-I, or
24 EMT-P from seeking credentials other than his or her EMT
25 license and utilizing such credentials to work in emergency
26 departments or other health care settings under the
27 jurisdiction of that employer.

28 (c) A person currently licensed as an EMT-B, EMT-I, or
29 EMT-P may honor Do Not Resuscitate (DNR) orders and powers of
30 attorney for health care only in accordance with rules
31 adopted by the Department pursuant to this Act and protocols
32 of the EMS System in which he or she practices.

33 (d) A student enrolled in a Department approved
34 emergency medical technician program, while fulfilling the

1 clinical training and in-field supervised experience
2 requirements mandated for licensure or approval by the System
3 and the Department, may perform prescribed procedures under
4 the direct supervision of a physician licensed to practice
5 medicine in all of its branches, a qualified registered
6 professional nurse or a qualified EMT, only when authorized
7 by the EMS Medical Director.

8 (Source: P.A. 89-177, eff. 7-19-95; 90-440, eff. 1-1-98.);
9 and

10 on page 2, after line 22, by inserting the following:

11 "Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
12 becoming law."