

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2015 Senate Bill 210

Senate Amendment 1

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The bill pertains to emergency medical services (EMS) performed by a person who holds an appropriate credential in another state. Generally, unless a person holds a license, training permit, or certificate, as required under Wisconsin law, the person may not act as or advertise for the provision of services as an ambulance service provider, first responder, or emergency medical technician (EMT), including an EMT-basic, EMT-intermediate, or EMT-paramedic. The bill creates a limited exemption from these credentialing requirements for a person who:

- Holds a valid license, training permit, certificate, or other credential allowing the person to act as an ambulance service provider, first responder, or EMT in another state; and
- Is acting in response to a request for mutual aid and responding from the state in which that person holds the appropriate credential to act as an ambulance service provider, first responder, or EMT.

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The amendment leaves in place the limited exemption from EMS credentialing requirements created under the bill, and adds a definition for the term "mutual aid" under the bill. The term is defined as emergency medical care provided in another service area when the primary ambulance service provider in that area requires additional resources because it has already committed all its resources to other emergency responses.

BILL HISTORY

The bill was introduced by Senator Harsdorf and others on July 17, 2015. On October 13, 2015, the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services recommended passage of the bill, as introduced, on a vote of Ayes, 5; Noes, 0. The amendment was offered by Senator Harsdorf on October 20, 2015. On the same day, the Senate adopted the amendment and passed the bill, as amended, by voice vote.

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