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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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In Senate, April 18, 1973

Reported by Senator Hichens of York from the Committee on Health and Institutional Services and printed under Joint Rules No. 18.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-THREE

AN ACT to Amend Definitions in Ambulance Service Licensing.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 32, § 72, sub-§§ 1, 3 and 4, amended. Subsections 1, 3 and 4 of section 72 of Title 32 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 113 of chapter 544 of the public laws of 1971, are amended to read as follows:

1. **Ambulance.** "Ambulance" means any vehicle that is ~~or constructed and equipped, and is used or intended to be used for and is maintained or operated for~~ ^{specially} designed, ~~or constructed and equipped, and is used or intended to be used for and is maintained or operated for~~ the transportation of patients. The licensing of such vehicles is in addition to the licensing by the Secretary of State.

3. **Ambulance personnel.** "Ambulance personnel" means individuals responsible for the care and protection of the patient in preparation for transportation and or during transportation ~~except that ambulance personnel shall not include those persons whose exclusive function is to drive an ambulance. For emergency cases one trained licensed individual or physician, or an osteopathic physician or a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse must be present in the vehicle either as driver or attendant~~ All ambulances shall carry at least one licensed personnel or a physician or an osteopathic physician or a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse. The licensed personnel, physician, osteopathic physician, registered nurse or licensed practical nurse must at all times be physically present in that section of the ambulance where the patient is placed.

4. **Ambulance service.** "Ambulance service" means any organization or any person or persons ~~setting themselves forth as~~ providing emergency first aid care or transportation for ill or injured persons.