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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-906)
109TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1869, L.D. 1959, Bill,
"AN ACT to Amend the Laws Relating to Ambulance Service."

Amend the Bill in section 5 in subsection 7 in the
2nd line (same in L.D.) by inserting after the underlined words
"shall be" the underlined words 'satisfactory completion of'

Further amend the Bill in section 5 in subsection 7,
paragraph A, subparagraph (1) in the 3rd line (2nd line in L.D.)
by striking out the underlined words and punctuation "extrication,
oxygen and suction" and inserting in their place the underlined
words and punctuation 'extrication techniques, oxygen administration
and suction techniques' and in the 4th line (3rd line in L.D.)
by striking out the underlined words "the accompanying" and
inserting in their place the underlined word 'appropriate'

Further amend the Bill in section 5 in subsection 7,
paragraph A, subparagraph (2) in the first and 2nd lines (same
in L.D.) by striking out the underlined words and punctuation
"Crash Injury Management Course, First Responder" and inserting
in their place the underlined words 'First Responder Training'
and in the 3rd line (2nd line in L.D.) by striking out the under-
lined word "accompanying" and inserting in its place the underlined
word 'appropriate'

Further amend the Bill in section 5 in subsection 7,
paragraph B in the 2nd line (first line in L.D.) by striking
out the underlined words "the accompanying" and inserting in their
place the underlined word 'appropriate'

Further amend the Bill in section 5 in subsection 7 in paragraph C in the first line (same in L.D.) by striking out the underlined words "State-administered" and inserting in their place the underlined words 'State-furnished'

Further amend the Bill in section 6 in subsection 8 by striking out all of the first underlined sentence and inserting in its place the following: 'Persons currently licensed by the department as ambulance attendants shall meet the following minimum requirements for relicensure:'

Further amend the Bill in section 6 in subsection 8, paragraph B, subparagraph (2) in the first line (same in L.D.) by striking out the underlined words "State administered" and inserting in their place the underlined words 'State-furnished'

Further amend the Bill in section 6 by striking out all of subsection 9 and inserting in its place the following:

9. State testing.

A. The State shall furnish written and practical examinations for licensed ambulance attendants to all local training officers. If the local training officer so requests, the State shall also administer the written and practical examinations.

B. The State shall furnish written and practical examinations for initial licensure and relicensure for basic and advanced emergency medical technicians and shall administer them through regionally-coordinated examination teams. Examinations shall be advertised and scheduled regularly in each region and shall be administered at appropriate sites and times justified by the need. Each member of an examination

team shall hold a current license for at least the level at which he is examining others and shall not administer a practical examination to any member of a unit to which he belongs.'

Further amend the Bill by inserting at the end before the Emergency clause the following:

'Sec. 8. PL 1979, c. 143, §3, is repealed.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment repeals the sunset provisions on the public hearings.

In the section on minimum level of training, which is for licensed ambulance attendants, language is inserted to indicate that a person must pass the specified courses and any tests which are a part of the courses. It further defines supplemental training.

The section on relicensure is amended to show that these requirements apply to persons holding a current Maine license.

A major change is in the testing requirements. The State is now required to furnish the written examinations and instructions for the practical examinations to the local training officer, who shall administer and grade the examinations for ambulance attendants. At the basic and advanced emergency medical technician level, the provisions of the bill are retained.