

**Representative Gage Froerer** proposes the following substitute bill:

**EMERGENCY VEHICLE OPERATORS TRAINING  
REQUIREMENTS**

2013 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Gage Froerer**

Senate Sponsor: Daniel W. Thatcher

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill amends provisions relating to emergency medical service vehicle operator training requirements.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ provides that beginning on or after January 31, 2014, every operator of an emergency medical service vehicle shall annually provide proof of the successful completion of an emergency vehicle operator's course approved by the Department of Health to be eligible for an emergency medical service vehicle permit;

- ▶ grants the Department of Health rulemaking authority to approve an emergency vehicle operator's course; and

- ▶ makes technical corrections.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**



26 AMENDS:

27 **26-8a-105**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 382

28 **26-8a-304**, as enacted by Laws of Utah 1999, Chapter 141

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30 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

31 Section 1. Section **26-8a-105** is amended to read:

32 **26-8a-105. Department powers.**

33 The department shall:

34 (1) coordinate the emergency medical services within the state;

35 (2) administer this chapter and the rules established pursuant to it;

36 (3) establish a voluntary task force representing a diversity of emergency medical  
37 service providers to advise the department and the committee on rules; and

38 (4) adopt rules in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative  
39 Rulemaking Act, to:

40 (a) license ambulance providers and paramedic providers;

41 (b) permit ambulances and emergency ~~§~~→ **medical** ←~~§~~ response vehicles, including  
41a approving an  
42 emergency vehicle operator's course in accordance with Section 26-8a-304;

43 (c) establish application, submission, and procedural requirements for licenses,  
44 designations, certificates, and permits; and

45 (d) establish and implement the programs, plans, and responsibilities as specified in  
46 other sections of this chapter.

47 Section 2. Section **26-8a-304** is amended to read:

48 **26-8a-304. Permits for emergency medical service vehicles.**

49 (1) (a) To ensure that emergency medical service vehicles are adequately staffed, safe,  
50 maintained, ~~and~~ properly equipped, and safely operated, the committee shall establish permit  
51 requirements at levels it considers appropriate in the following categories:

52 [~~(a)~~] (i) ambulance; and

53 [~~(b)~~] (ii) emergency ~~§~~→ **medical** ←~~§~~ response vehicle.

54 (b) The permit requirements under this Subsection (1) shall include a requirement that  
55 beginning on or after January 31, 2014, every operator of an ambulance or emergency  
55a ~~§~~→ **medical** ←~~§~~ response  
56 vehicle annually provide proof of the successful completion of an emergency vehicle operator's

57 course approved by the department for all ambulances and emergency ~~§~~→ **medical** ←~~§~~ response  
57a vehicle  
58 operators.  
59 (2) The department shall, based on the requirements established in Subsection (1),  
60 issue permits to emergency medical service vehicles.