

Representative Douglas V. Sagers proposes the following substitute bill:

LOCAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE AMENDMENTS

2017 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Douglas V. Sagers

Senate Sponsor: Evan J. Vickers

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill amends the Emergency Medical Services Assistance Act.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ amends the membership of the Emergency Medical Services Committee.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

26-8a-103, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2011, Chapters 51 and 297

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

Section 1. Section **26-8a-103** is amended to read:

26-8a-103. State Emergency Medical Services Committee -- Membership --

Expenses.

(1) The State Emergency Medical Services Committee created by Section **26-1-7** shall



26 be composed of the following ~~16~~ 17 members appointed by the governor, at least ~~five~~
 26a six of

27 whom shall reside in a county of the third, fourth, fifth, or sixth class:

28 (a) five physicians licensed under Title 58, Chapter 67, Utah Medical Practice Act, or
 29 Title 58, Chapter 68, Utah Osteopathic Medical Practice Act, as follows:

30 (i) one surgeon who actively provides trauma care at a hospital;

31 (ii) one rural physician involved in emergency medical care;

32 (iii) two physicians who practice in the emergency department of a general acute
 33 hospital; and

34 (iv) one pediatrician who practices in the emergency department or critical care unit of
 35 a general acute hospital or a children's specialty hospital;

36 (b) ~~one representative~~ two representatives from ~~a~~ private ambulance
 36a ~~provider~~ providers ;

37 (c) one representative from an ambulance provider that is neither privately owned nor
 38 operated by a fire department;

39 (d) two chief officers from fire agencies operated by the following classes of licensed
 40 or designated emergency medical services providers: municipality, county, and fire district,
 41 provided that no class of medical services providers may have more than one representative
 42 under this Subsection (1)(d);

43 (e) one director of a law enforcement agency that provides emergency medical
 44 services;

45 (f) one hospital administrator;

46 (g) one emergency care nurse;

47 (h) one paramedic in active field practice;

48 (i) one emergency medical technician in active field practice;

49 (j) one certified emergency medical dispatcher affiliated with an emergency medical
 50 dispatch center; and

51 (k) one consumer.

52 (2) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (2)(b), members shall be appointed to a
 53 four-year term beginning July 1.

54 (b) Notwithstanding Subsection (2)(a), the governor:

55 (i) shall, at the time of appointment or reappointment, adjust the length of terms to
 56 ensure that the terms of committee members are staggered so that approximately half of the

57 committee is appointed every two years[-];

58 (ii) may not reappoint a member for more than two consecutive terms; and

59 (iii) shall ~~§~~ ; ~~§~~

59a ~~§~~ (A) initially ~~§~~ ~~§~~ [replace ~~§~~ [a] the ~~§~~ member in Subsection (1)(b) with ~~§~~ [a

59a1 member

59b who is] two members who are each ~~§~~ from a different

60 private provider than the member being replaced] appoint the second member under Subsection

60a1 (1)(b) from a different private provider than the private provider currently serving under

60a2 Subsection (1)(b) ~~§~~ ~~§~~ ; and ~~§~~

60a ~~§~~ (B) thereafter stagger each replacement of a member in Subsection (1)(b) so that ~~§~~ [

60a1a one

60b private provider does not hold both] the ~~§~~ member positions under Subsection (1)(b) ~~§~~ ~~§~~

60c are not held by representatives of the same private provider ~~§~~ .

61 (c) When a vacancy occurs in the membership for any reason, the replacement shall be
62 appointed by the governor for the unexpired term.

63 (3) (a) Each January, the committee shall organize and select one of its members as
64 chair and one member as vice chair. The committee may organize standing or ad hoc
65 subcommittees, which shall operate in accordance with guidelines established by the
66 committee.

67 (b) The chair shall convene a minimum of four meetings per year. The chair may call
68 special meetings. The chair shall call a meeting upon request of five or more members of the
69 committee.

70 (c) Nine members of the committee constitute a quorum for the transaction of business
71 and the action of a majority of the members present is the action of the committee.

72 (4) A member may not receive compensation or benefits for the member's service, but
73 may receive per diem and travel expenses in accordance with:

74 (a) Section 63A-3-106;

75 (b) Section 63A-3-107; and

76 (c) rules made by the Division of Finance pursuant to Sections 63A-3-106 and
77 63A-3-107.

78 (5) Administrative services for the committee shall be provided by the department.