

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE PERSONNEL

AMENDMENTS

2022 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Wayne A. Harper

House Sponsor: Stephen G. Handy

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill amends provisions related to the licensure of emergency medical service personnel.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

▶ specifically lists categories for whom the State Emergency Medical Services Committee may establish initial and ongoing licensure and training requirements.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

26-8a-302, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 208 and 237

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

Section 1. Section **26-8a-302** is amended to read:

26-8a-302. Licensure of emergency medical service personnel.

(1) To promote the availability of comprehensive emergency medical services



28 throughout the state, the committee shall establish:

29 (a) initial and ongoing licensure and training requirements for emergency medical
30 service personnel in the following categories:

31 (i) paramedic;

32 (ii) ~~[medical director;]~~ advanced emergency medical services technician;

33 (iii) emergency medical ~~[service instructor]~~ services technician;

34 (iv) behavioral emergency services technician; and

35 (v) advanced behavioral emergency services technician~~[-and];~~

36 ~~[(vi) except emergency medical dispatchers, other types of emergency medical service
37 personnel as the committee considers necessary;]~~

38 (b) a method to monitor the certification status and continuing medical education hours
39 for emergency medical dispatchers; and

40 (c) guidelines for giving credit for out-of-state training and experience.

41 (2) The department shall, based on the requirements established in Subsection (1):

42 (a) develop, conduct, and authorize training and testing for emergency medical service
43 personnel;

44 (b) issue a license and license renewals to emergency medical service personnel other
45 than emergency medical dispatchers; and

46 (c) verify the certification of emergency medical dispatchers.

47 (3) The department shall coordinate with the Department of Human Services
48 established in Section [62A-1-102](#), and local mental health authorities described in Section
49 [17-43-301](#), to develop and authorize initial and ongoing licensure and training requirements for
50 licensure as a:

51 (a) behavioral emergency services technician; and

52 (b) advanced behavioral emergency services technician.

53 (4) As provided in Section [26-8a-502](#), an individual issued a license or certified under
54 this section may only provide emergency medical services to the extent allowed by the license
55 or certification.

56 (5) An individual may not be issued or retain a license under this section unless the
57 individual obtains and retains background clearance under Section [26-8a-310](#).

58 (6) An individual may not be issued or retain a certification under this section unless

59 the individual obtains and retains background clearance in accordance with Section
60 [26-8a-310.5](#).