



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2017 Wisconsin Act 12
[2017 Assembly Bill 59]

**Terminology Changes for
Emergency Medical Personnel**

2017 Wisconsin Act 12 modifies statutory terminology used to describe emergency medical personnel. The Act incorporates a new statutory term, “advanced emergency medical technician” to reflect the current designation, “emergency medical technician – intermediate technician,” in the administrative rules promulgated by the Department of Health Services. Also, the Act changes several existing statutory terms, as follows:

- “Emergency medical technician” is changed to “emergency medical services practitioner” and includes an advanced emergency medical technician.
- “Emergency medical technician – basic” is changed to “emergency medical technician.”
- “First responder” is changed to “emergency medical responder.”
- “Emergency medical technician – paramedic” is changed to “paramedic.”

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature’s Web site at: <http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov>.