



## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

**2017 Senate Bill 238**

**Senate  
Amendment 1**

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### **2017 SENATE BILL 238**

Senate Bill 238 permits the Department of Health Services (DHS) to pay aid toward first responder training and examinations. Current law only permits DHS to pay aid for emergency medical technician training and examinations. The bill also permits ambulance service providers who receive this aid from DHS to escrow unused aid from prior years and use it for such trainings in subsequent years.

### **SENATE AMENDMENT 1**

Senate Amendment 1 changes the terminology of the bill to reflect the new statutory terms for emergency medical service personnel as adopted in 2017 Wisconsin Act 12. Under the Act and the amendment, a first responder is now referred to as an “emergency medical responder,” and emergency medical technicians of all levels are referred to collectively as “emergency medical services practitioners.”

### **BILL HISTORY**

Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 238 was adopted and Senate Bill 238 was recommended for adoption, as amended, on a unanimous vote of the Senate Committee on Revenue, Financial Institutions, and Rural Issues, on August 30, 2017.

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