

# State of Wisconsin



2015 Senate Bill 210

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## 2015 WISCONSIN ACT 83

AN ACT *to amend* 256.01 (6), (7), (8) and (9) and 256.15 (2) (a); and *to create* 256.15 (1) (iw) and 256.15 (2) (c) of the statutes; **relating to:** exempting out-of-state emergency medical services personnel from licensure requirements.

*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

**SECTION 1.** 256.01 (6), (7), (8) and (9) of the statutes, as affected by 2015 Wisconsin Act ... (Senate Bill 182), are amended to read:

256.01 (6) "Emergency medical technician — basic" means an individual who is licensed by the department to administer basic life support and to properly handle and transport sick, disabled or injured individuals or is exempt under s. 256.15 (2) (b) or (c).

(7) "Emergency medical technician — intermediate" means an individual who is licensed by the department as an emergency medical technician — intermediate under s. 256.15 (5) or is exempt under s. 256.15 (2) (b) or (c).

(8) "Emergency medical technician — paramedic" means an individual who is specially trained in emergency cardiac, trauma and other lifesaving or emergency procedures in a training program or course of instruction prescribed by the department and who is examined and licensed as an emergency medical technician — paramedic under s. 256.15 (5) or is exempt under s. 256.15 (2) (b) or (c).

(9) "First responder" means a person who is certified by the department as a first responder under s. 256.15 (8) (a) or is exempt under s. 256.15 (2) (b) or (c) and who, as a condition of employment or as a member of an orga-

nization that provides emergency medical care before hospitalization, provides emergency medical care to a sick, disabled or injured individual before the arrival of an ambulance, but who does not provide transportation for a patient.

**SECTION 1m.** 256.15 (1) (iw) of the statutes is created to read:

256.15 (1) (iw) "Mutual aid" means emergency medical care provided in another service area when the primary ambulance service provider in that area requires additional resources because it has already committed all its resources to other emergency responses.

**SECTION 2.** 256.15 (2) (a) of the statutes, as affected by 2015 Wisconsin Act ... (Senate Bill 182), is amended to read:

256.15 (2) (a) Except when acting under s. 257.03 and except as provided in ~~par. pars.~~ (b) and (c), no person may act as or advertise for the provision of services as an ambulance service provider unless the person holds an ambulance service provider license issued under this section. Except when acting under s. 257.03 and except as provided in ~~par. pars.~~ (b) and (c), no individual may act as or advertise for the provision of services as an emergency medical technician unless he or she holds an emergency medical technician license or training permit issued under sub. (5). Except when acting under s. 257.03 and except as provided in ~~par. pars.~~ (b) and (c), no

\* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES: Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication."

individual may act as or advertise for the provision of services as a first responder unless he or she holds a first responder certificate issued under sub. (8).

**SECTION 3.** 256.15 (2) (c) of the statutes is created to read:

256.15 (2) (c) Notwithstanding par. (a), a person may act as an ambulance service provider, emergency medical technician, or first responder without a license, training permit, or certificate described under par. (a) if all of the following apply:

1. The person holds a valid license, training permit, certificate, or other credential allowing the person to act as an ambulance service provider, emergency medical technician, or first responder in another state.

2. The person is acting in response to a request for mutual aid and responding from the state in which that person holds a license, training permit, certificate, or other credential allowing the person to act as an ambulance service provider, emergency medical technician, or first responder.

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