

# WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2017 Senate Bill 239

Senate Amendments 1 and 2

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## **2017 SENATE BILL 239**

Senate Bill 239 permits a rural ambulance service provider to upgrade its service level to the highest level of any emergency medical technician staffing an ambulance for the provider if the service provider's medical director approves. A rural ambulance service provider that upgrades its service may only advertise for the level of service the provider is able to provide 24 hours per day.

### 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, emergency medical technicians of all levels are referred to collectively as "emergency medical services practitioners."

### SENATE AMENDMENT 2

Senate Amendment 2 requires a rural ambulance service provider who upgrades under the provisions of the bill to update its operational plan with the Department of Health Services.

### **BILL HISTORY**

Senate Amendments 1 and 2 to Senate Bill 239 were adopted and Senate Bill 239 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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