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#### Topic:

Exemptions for renewals for emergency medical services credentials during the public health emergency

#### **Instructions:**

See attached

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#### Barman, Mike

From:

Dodge, Tamara

Sent:

Tuesday, April 07, 2020 2:56 PM

To:

Morgan, Charlie

Cc:

Dyck, Jon; Bentzen, Alexandra; Lang, Bob

Subject:

RE: New Draft Request

Hi Charlie,

Sure, I'll get on it right away.

Tami

#### Tamara J. Dodge

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Please note my new direct phone number (as of June 13, 2018).

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Subject: New Draft Request

Hi, Tami -

Tad from Senator Fitzgerald's office called me and requested a draft relating to exemptions from renewal and renewal requirements for all emergency medical services (EMS) personnel credentialed by DHS during the state public health emergency, through the 60<sup>th</sup> day after the conclusion of that emergency. This item would be similar to the draft 6088/2, which exempts certain health care providers credentialed by DSPS from credential renewal requirements, only it would apply to EMS personnel credentialed by DHS.

Can you prepare a draft for this new item? He will try to talk with Assembly leadership staff about it, for possible inclusion in the package.

Thanks very much!

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# State of Misconsin 2019 - 2020 LEGISLATURE

LRB-6130/P1 TJD:skw

### PRELIMINARY DRAFT - NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

AN ACT relating to: renewals of emergency medical services credentials during

COVID-19 public health emergency.

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# Renewals of credentials for emergency medical services providers

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(1) Credential renewal during COVID-19 emergency. Notwithstanding s. 256.15 (6) (b) and (c), (8) (c) and (cm), and (10), during the period covered by the state of emergency related to public health declared by the governor on March 12, 2020, by executive order 72, and for the 60 days following the date that the state of emergency is terminated, the department of health services may not require an ambulance service provider, emergency medical services practitioner, or emergency medical responder that holds a license, training permit, or certificate under s. 256.15 that has not been suspended or revoked to renew that license, training permit, or certificate or impose renewal requirements on an ambulance service provider, emergency medical services practitioner, or emergency medical responder that holds a license, training permit, or certificate under s. 256.15.

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#### Barman, Mike

From:

Hanaman, Cathlene

Sent:

Friday, April 10, 2020 3:30 PM

To:

Dodge, Tamara

Subject:

FW: -6073 and -6074

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Subject: RE: -6073 and -6074

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- · Feeding assistants, and
- Medication aides

Who are all credentialed by DHS.

Yes, I believe this will need a separate entry in the LFB summary.

Thanks, Alex

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**Subject:** RE: -6073 and -6074

#### Hi, Cathlene

DHS, rather than DSPS, provides credentials (licenses and certifications) to certain health care providers. So we will need a draft that is similar to DSPS #1 in the April 7 summary, only it will affect DHS statutes. Emergency medical services personnel, CNAs, assistant feeders, etc.

Alex -- Are there other DHS credentialed providers this would apply to? Are you writing a separate summary of this item?

Charlie

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Subject: -6073 and -6074

Charlie:

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If so, could you give the specifics to Tami or Konrad?

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Thanks! Cathlene

#### Barman, Mike

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To:

Morgan, Charlie; Bentzen, Alexandra

Subject:

RE: -6073 and -6074

I'm understanding this to mean that CNAs and the associated professions (feeding assistance & med aides ) are out entirely. I don't see that they have continuing ed requirements. In that case, I have tweaked the EMS draft I did the other day and that should accomplish questions 1 and 3.

Tami

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Tami and Alex -

I hope Heather's responses are what you need!

Let me know if we need additional clarification.

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**Subject:** Re: -6073 and -6074

# 1.All EMS personnel is good.

2.Leave out the CNA

#### 3.yes

From: Morgan, Charlie < charlie.morgan@legis.wisconsin.gov>

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**Subject:** FW: -6073 and -6074

Hi, Heather-

Relating to renewals of DHS Credentials:

- 1. With respect to EMS personnel -- DHS issues credentials to EMS technicians, ambulance providers and first responders. I am assuming you want to waive the renewal requirements for all types of EMS personnel, not just for the EMTs, correct?
- 2. See the comment from the LRB drafting attorney -- apparently, CNAs are "registered" and don't appear to renew these registrations. So, the inclusion of these workers doesn't seem to make sense.
- 3. For some DHS credentialed occupations, there are some continuing training or education requirements. I assume you want those waived, similar to the DSPS language?

Please provide additional guidance on each of these items.

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Charlie,

Are you sure that it is -6088 (waiving renewal requirements) that you want to apply to CNAs? I'm not sure they have to "renew" their registrations. The word "renew" or any form of it does not appear in s. 146.40 or in DHS 129. (Feeding assistants and, I guess, medication aides are also under s. 146.40.

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