State of Misconsin



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AN ACT to renumber and amend 256.15 (2); to amend 256.01 (6), (7), (8) and (9), 256.15 (2) (title) and 256.15 (11) (a) and (c); and to create 256.15 (2) (b) of the statutes; relating to: an exemption from licensing requirements for certain out–of–state ambulance service providers.

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

SECTION 1g. 256.01 (6), (7), (8) and (9) of the statutes 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).

(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).

(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).

(9) "First responder" means a person who is certified by the department as a first responder under s. 256.15 (8) (a) <u>or is exempt under s. 256.15 (2) (b)</u> and who, as a condition of employment or as a member of an organization 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 1t. 256.15 (2) (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

256.15 (2) (title) LICENSE OR CERTIFICATE REQUIRED: EXCEPTIONS.

SECTION 2. 256.15(2) of the statutes is renumbered 256.15(2)(a) and amended to read:

256.15 (2) (a) Except when acting under s. 257.03 and except as provided in par. (b), 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. (b), 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. (b), no 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) (b) of the statutes is created to read:

256.15 (2) (b) An ambulance service provider licensed in another state that makes 10 or fewer patient

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transports per year that originate and terminate within this state is not required to hold an ambulance service provider license under this section. An emergency medical technician licensed in or holding a training permit in another state who is involved in 10 or fewer patient transports per year that originate and terminate within this state is not required to hold an emergency medical technician license or training permit under this section. A first responder certified in another state who provides emergency medical care to 10 or fewer patients per year within this state is not required to hold a first responder certificate under this section.

SECTION 4. 256.15 (11) (a) and (c) of the statutes are amended to read:

256.15 (11) (a) To restrain or prevent action as an ambulance service provider by a person in violation of sub. (2) (a).

(c) To restrain or prevent action as an emergency medical technician by an individual in violation of sub. (2) (a).