State of Misconsin



2017 Senate Bill 239

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2017 WISCONSIN ACT 97

AN ACT to create 256.15 (4m) of the statutes; relating to: upgrading service levels for ambulances in rural areas.

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

SECTION 1. 256.15 (4m) of the statutes is created to read:

256.15 **(4m)** Upgrade to ambulance service Level. (a) In this subsection, "rural ambulance service provider" means an ambulance service provider for which the population of the largest single municipality, as defined in s. 5.02 (11), in the ambulance service provider's service area is less than 10,000.

(b) An ambulance operated by a rural ambulance service provider that is licensed under sub. (5) at any level

may upgrade its service level to the highest level of license of any emergency medical services practitioner staffing that ambulance if the medical director approves a proposal submitted to him or her by the rural ambulance service provider.

- (c) A rural ambulance service provider that upgrades its service under par. (b) may advertise only the level of service that the rural ambulance service provider is able to provide 24 hours per day.
- (d) A rural ambulance service provider that is intending to upgrade its service under par. (b) shall submit to the department an update to its operational plan including a description of its intention to upgrade.

^{*} 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."