

Regular Session, 2010

HOUSE BILL NO. 1030

BY REPRESENTATIVE ST. GERMAIN

HEALTH/EMERG MED SERVICE: Provides with respect to certain public employees who render emergency medical services

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1232.1(A)(2) and (3) and 1232.3, relative to emergency
3 medical services; to set a maximum fee for an emergency medical technician-basic
4 certification and recertification for any individual who is an employee of the state of
5 Louisiana or another public entity, a municipal fire department, a fire protection
6 district, a volunteer fire department, or a municipal law enforcement agency; to
7 exempt certain employees of the state of Louisiana or another public entity, a
8 municipal fire department, a fire protection district, or a volunteer fire department
9 from the authority of the Louisiana Emergency Medical Services Certification
10 Commission to conduct disciplinary hearings, request investigations, and initiate
11 prosecution; and to provide for related matters.

12 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

13 Section 1. R.S. 40:1232.1(A)(2) and (3) and 1232.3 are hereby amended and
14 reenacted to read as follows:

15 §1232.1. Fee schedule; fees for certification prohibited

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18 (2) The bureau shall not set the fee for certification of an emergency medical
19 technician-basic to exceed fifteen dollars for any individual who is an employee of
20 the state of Louisiana or another public entity, a municipal fire department, a fire

1 B. Paragraphs (4), (5), and (6) of Subsection A of this Section shall not apply
2 to anyone employed by the state of Louisiana or another public entity, a municipal
3 fire department, a fire protection district, or a volunteer fire department who has
4 successfully completed an emergency medical technician-basic, emergency medical
5 technician-intermediate, emergency medical technician-paramedic, or first responder
6 training program developed and promulgated by the United States Department of
7 Transportation and who possesses a current national certification.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Sets a maximum fee for an emergency medical technician-basic certification and recertification for any individual who is an employee of the state of Louisiana or another public entity, a municipal fire department, a fire protection district, a volunteer fire department, or a municipal law enforcement agency. Exempts certain employees of the state of Louisiana or another public entity, a municipal fire department, a fire protection district, or a volunteer fire department from the authority of the Louisiana Emergency Medical Services Certification Commission to conduct disciplinary hearings, request investigations, and initiate prosecution.

Present law provides that the Dept. of Health and Hospitals, office of public health, bureau of emergency medical services shall not set the fee for certification of an emergency medical technician-basic to exceed \$15.00 for any individual who is an employee of a municipal law enforcement agency, fire service, or fire protection district who does not perform emergency medical services outside of the individual's official governmental responsibilities for any form of compensation.

Proposed law adds anyone employed by the state of Louisiana or another public entity, a municipal fire department, a fire protection district, or a volunteer fire department to the list of persons for whom the fee is capped at \$15.00.

Present law provides that the Dept. of Health and Hospitals, office of public health, bureau of emergency medical services shall not set the fee for recertification of an emergency medical technician-basic to exceed \$10.00 for any individual who is an employee of a municipal law enforcement agency, fire service, or fire protection district who does not perform emergency medical services outside of the individual's official governmental responsibilities for any form of compensation.

Proposed law adds anyone employed by the state of Louisiana or another public entity, a municipal fire department, a fire protection district, or a volunteer fire department to the list of persons for whom the fee is capped at \$10.00.

Present law provides that the La. Emergency Medical Services Certification Commission shall:

- (1) Recommend to the bureau requirements and standards of practice for individuals seeking to be certified.
- (2) Approve requirements and standards of practice submitted by the bureau.
- (3) Recommend continuing education requirements and standards to the bureau in accordance with criteria established by the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians for individuals seeking to renew a certificate.
- (4) Conduct disciplinary hearings for emergency medical personnel.
- (5) Request that the bureau conduct investigations as necessary.
- (6) Cause the prosecution of any individual who violates any provision of present law.
- (7) Maintain a record of all commission proceedings.
- (8) Adopt rules and regulations to implement the provisions of present law.

Proposed law exempts certain employees of the state of Louisiana or another public entity, a municipal fire department, a fire protection district, or a volunteer fire department from the authority of the commission to conduct disciplinary hearings, request investigations, and initiate prosecution.

(Amends R.S. 40:1232.1(A)(2) and (3) and 1232.3)