

CHAPTER 310  
FORMERLY  
SENATE BILL NO. 210  
AS AMENDED BY  
SENATE AMENDMENT NOS. 1 & 2

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 16 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO PARAMEDIC AND OTHER EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE SYSTEMS

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE:

Section 1. Amend Section § 9702(11), (12) and (13), Title 16 of the Delaware State Code by making insertions as shown by underlining and deletions as shown by strike through as follows:

(11) "Emergency medical technician" (EMT) shall mean a person trained, and currently certified by the State Fire Prevention Commission, in emergency medical care procedures through a course which meets the objectives of the national ~~standard curriculum scope of practice~~.

(12) "~~Emergency medical technician cardiac~~" (EMT C), also known as ~~cardiac rescue technician (CRT)~~, Advanced emergency medical technician (AEMT) shall mean a person who has successfully completed a course approved by the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline or its duly authorized representative, which meets the objectives of the national ~~standard curriculum scope of practice~~.

(13) "~~Emergency medical technician paramedic~~" (EMT P) "Paramedic" shall mean a person who has successfully completed a course approved by the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline or its duly authorized representative, and who acts under the direct or radio control of a physician or physician surrogate.

Section 2. Amend §9802(5), (9) and (18), Title 16, of the Delaware State Code by making insertions as shown by underlining and deletions as shown by strike through as follows:

(5) "Certification" means original certification as an ~~EMT P~~ Paramedic by the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline.

(9) "Decertification" means the cancellation or revocation of the certificate issued by Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline to an ~~EMT P~~ Paramedic.

(18) "~~Paramedic~~" shall be synonymous with "~~emergency medical technician paramedic (EMT P)~~," as the same is defined in Chapter 97 of this title;

Section 3. Amend Section 9802, Title 16, of the Delaware Code by renumbering existing subsections (19)-(24) as subsections (18)-(23).

Section 4. Amend §9808(d) by making insertions as shown by underlining and deletions as shown by strike through as follows:

(d) The authority to select, discipline and terminate a paramedic or any administrative staff authorized as a shared expense shall reside with the county or its subcontractor, except that suspension or revocation of an ~~EMT P~~ Paramedic certification for reasons covered by § 9811 of this title shall be conducted in accordance with this chapter.

Section 5. Amend §9809A(a), (f)(1) and (f)(2) by making insertions as shown by underlining and deletions as shown by strike through as follows:

(a) A person seeking certification as an ~~emergency medical technician paramedic (EMT P)~~ Paramedic shall apply to the Board using forms prescribed by the Board and shall submit to the State Office of Emergency Medical Services fingerprints and other necessary information in order to obtain the following:

(f) (1) A person seeking certification as an ~~EMT P~~ Paramedic through the New Castle County paramedic service is exempted from the provisions of subsections (a) and (b) of this section; provided, however, that the criminal history background check and review procedures employed by the New Castle County paramedic service are found to be at least as restrictive as those contained in this section. For the purposes of any criminal history background check or review conducted pursuant to regulations promulgated pursuant to this subsection, the State Bureau of Identification shall be the intermediary and the New Castle County Department of Police Paramedic Service shall be the screening point for the receipt of said federal criminal history records. The New Castle County Department of Police may designate any or all of the other divisions or offices therein as a screening point for the receipt of said federal criminal history records.

(2) A person seeking certification as an ~~EMT-P~~ Paramedic who is presently employed as a law enforcement officer in this State and who was subject to a review of the person's own entire criminal history background at the time the person began employment as a law enforcement officer in this State is exempted from the provisions of subsections (a) and (b) of this section if, at the time of the prior criminal history background check, no items described in subdivision (b)(1) of this section appeared as part of the person's criminal history background.

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