HOUSE BILL No. 1111

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 16-31-3-25.

Synopsis: Tactical emergency medicine. Allows an individual to practice tactical emergency medicine if the individual: (1) is an emergency medical technician, an advanced emergency medical technician, or a paramedic; (2) is employed by a law enforcement agency or an emergency medical services agency to provide retrieval and field medical treatment to victims of violent confrontations; and (3) has successfully completed an accredited educational training program in tactical emergency medicine. Provides that the individual must act within the scope of the individual's training and as allowed by the supervising medical director. Requires that a law enforcement agency or an emergency medical services agency that allows a person to practice tactical medicine must be certified. Requires the emergency medical services commission to adopt emergency rules to incorporate existing policy and curriculum requirements.

Effective: July 1, 2013.

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Introduced

First Regular Session 118th General Assembly (2013)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type.~~

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~*this style type*~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2012 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 16-31-3-25 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013]: **Sec. 25. (a) An individual who meets the following qualifications may operate as a tactical emergency medicine provider:**

(1) Is an emergency medical technician, an advanced emergency medical technician, or a paramedic.

(2) Is employed by:

(A) a law enforcement agency; or

(B) an emergency medical services agency established by IC 16-31-5-1 that has an agreement with a law enforcement agency;

to provide retrieval and field medical treatment to victims of violent confrontations.

(3) Has successfully completed an accredited educational training program in tactical emergency medicine that meets the core curriculum requirements approved by the

commission. However, the commission may approve a program provided by:

(A) a military, naval, or air service of the armed forces of the United States;

(B) a program accredited by a federal or state governmental agency; or

(C) a program provided by the National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians that is accredited by the Continuing Education Coordinating Board for Emergency Medical Services;

that substantially meets the core curriculum requirements approved by the commission.

(b) An individual who meets the requirements set forth in subsection (a) may practice emergency medicine according to the individual's scope of training and as approved by the medical director of the law enforcement agency or an emergency medical services agency supervising the individual.

(c) A law enforcement agency or an emergency medical services agency established by IC 16-31-5-1 that has an agreement with a law enforcement agency to operate under this section must be certified by the commission.

(d) The commission shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to implement this section.

(e) Before August 31, 2013, the commission shall adopt emergency rules in the manner provided under IC 4-22-2-37.1 to implement this section. The emergency rules must incorporate the following:

(1) Criteria for advanced life support personnel to function as tactical medical support for law enforcement agencies as adopted by the commission under IC 4-22-7-7 in nonrule policy statement EMS-02-2002 adopted on March 15, 2002.

(2) Tactical emergency medical support core curriculum requirements approved by the commission on September 13, 2007.

This subsection expires on the earlier of the date a permanent rule to implement this section is adopted under IC 4-22-2 or June 30, 2014.

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