

# SENATE AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

Amend SS/SCS/HCS/House Bill No. 1659, Page 11, Section 190.076, Line 6,

2 by inserting after all of said line the following:

3 "190.098. 1. In order for a person to be eligible for  
4 certification by the department as a community paramedic, an  
5 individual shall:

6 (1) Be currently [certified] licensed as a paramedic;

7 (2) Successfully complete or have successfully  
8 completed a community paramedic certification program from a  
9 college, university, or educational institution that has  
10 been approved by the department or accredited by a national  
11 accreditation organization approved by the department; and

12 (3) Complete an application form approved by the  
13 department.

14 2. [A community paramedic shall practice in accordance  
15 with protocols and supervisory standards established by the  
16 medical director. A community paramedic shall provide  
17 services of a health care plan if the plan has been  
18 developed by the patient's physician or by an advanced  
19 practice registered nurse through a collaborative practice  
20 arrangement with a physician or a physician assistant  
21 through a collaborative practice arrangement with a  
22 physician and there is no duplication of services to the  
23 patient from another provider.

24 3. Any ambulance service shall enter into a written  
25 contract to provide community paramedic services in another  
26 ambulance service area, as that term is defined in section

27 190.100. The contract that is agreed upon may be for an  
28 indefinite period of time, as long as it includes at least a  
29 sixty-day cancellation notice by either ambulance service. ]

30 As used in this section, the term "community paramedic  
31 services" shall mean services provided by any entity that  
32 employs licensed paramedics who are certified by the  
33 department as community paramedics for services that are:

34 (1) Provided in a nonemergent setting that is  
35 independent of an emergency telephone service, 911 system,  
36 or emergency summons;

37 (2) Consistent with the training and education  
38 requirements described in subdivision (2) of subsection 1 of  
39 this section, the scope of skill and practice for community  
40 paramedics, and the supervisory standard approved by the  
41 entity's medical director; and

42 (3) Reflected and documented in the entity's medical  
43 director-approved patient care plans or protocols in  
44 accordance with the provisions of section 190.142.

45 3. (1) Any ambulance service that seeks to provide  
46 community paramedic services outside of the ambulance  
47 service's service area:

48 (a) Shall have a memorandum of understanding (MOU)  
49 regarding the provision of such services with the ambulance  
50 service in that service area if that ambulance service is  
51 already providing community paramedic services; or

52 (b) Shall not be required to have an MOU with the  
53 ambulance service in that service area if that ambulance  
54 service is not already providing community paramedic  
55 services, provided that the ambulance service seeking to  
56 provide such services shall provide notification to the  
57 other ambulance service of the community paramedic services  
58 to be provided.

59           (2) Any emergency medical response agency (EMRA) that  
60 seeks to provide community paramedic services within its  
61 designated response service area may do so if the ground  
62 ambulance service area within which the EMRA operates does  
63 not already provide such services. If the ground ambulance  
64 service does provide community paramedic services, then the  
65 ground ambulance service may enter into an MOU with the EMRA  
66 in order to coordinate programs and avoid service  
67 duplication. If the EMRA provides community paramedic  
68 services in the ground ambulance service's service area  
69 prior to the provision of such services by the ground  
70 ambulance service, then the EMRA and the ground ambulance  
71 service shall enter into an MOU for the coordination of  
72 services.

73           (3) Any community paramedic program shall notify the  
74 appropriate local ambulance service when providing services  
75 within the service area of an ambulance service.

76           (4) The department shall promulgate rules and  
77 regulations for the purpose of recognizing which community  
78 paramedic services entities have met the standards necessary  
79 to provide community paramedic services, including, but not  
80 limited to, physician medical oversight, training, patient  
81 record retention, formal relationships with primary care  
82 services as needed, and quality improvement policies.  
83 Community paramedic services entities shall be certified by  
84 the department, allowing such entities to provide community  
85 paramedic services for a period of five years.

86           4. A community paramedic is subject to the provisions  
87 of sections 190.001 to 190.245 and rules promulgated under  
88 sections 190.001 to 190.245.

89           5. No person shall hold himself or herself out as a  
90 community paramedic or provide the services of a community  
91 paramedic unless such person is certified by the department.

92           6. The medical director shall approve the  
93 implementation of the community paramedic program.

94           7. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is  
95 defined in section 536.010, that is created under the  
96 authority delegated in this section shall become effective  
97 only if it complies with and is subject to all of the  
98 provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section  
99 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and  
100 if any of the powers vested with the general assembly  
101 pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective  
102 date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently  
103 held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking  
104 authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28,  
105 2013, shall be invalid and void."; and  
106           Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.