

**HOUSE BILL No. 2387**

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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1 AN ACT concerning emergency medical services; amending ~~K.S.A. 2013~~  
2 ~~Supp. 65-6112, as amended by section 51 of chapter 131 of the 2014~~  
3 ~~Session Laws of Kansas, and~~ K.S.A. ~~2014~~ **2015** Supp. 65-6102, 65-  
4 6111, **65-6112**, 65-6120, 65-6121, 65-6129b, 65-6129c, 65-6133, 65-  
5 6135 and 65-6144 and repealing the existing sections.

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7 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

8 Section 1. K.S.A. ~~2014~~ **2015** Supp. 65-6102 is hereby amended to  
9 read as follows: 65-6102. (a) There is hereby established the emergency  
10 medical services board. The office of the emergency medical services  
11 board shall be located in the city of Topeka, Kansas.

12 (b) The emergency medical services board shall be composed of 15  
13 members to be appointed as follows:

14 (1) Eleven members shall be appointed by the governor. Of such  
15 members:

16 (A) Three shall be physicians who are actively involved in emergency  
17 medical services;

18 (B) two shall be county commissioners of counties making a levy for  
19 ambulance service, at least one of whom shall be from a county having a  
20 population of less than 15,000;

21 (C) one shall be an instructor-coordinator;

22 (D) one shall be a hospital administrator actively involved in  
23 emergency medical services;

24 (E) one shall be a member of a firefighting unit which provides  
25 emergency medical service; and

26 (F) three shall be attendants who are actively involved in emergency  
27 medical service. At least two classifications of attendants shall be  
28 represented. At least one of such members shall be from a volunteer  
29 emergency medical service; and

30 (2) four members shall be appointed as follows:

31 (A) One shall be a member of the Kansas senate to be appointed by  
32 the president of the senate;

33 (B) one shall be a member of the Kansas senate to be appointed by  
34 the minority leader of the senate;

35 (C) one shall be a member of the Kansas house of representatives to  
36 be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives; and

1 (D) one shall be a member of the Kansas house of representatives to  
2 be appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives.

3 All members of the board shall be residents of the state of Kansas.  
4 Appointments to the board shall be made with due consideration that  
5 representation of the various geographical areas of the state is ensured. The  
6 governor may remove any member of the board upon recommendation of  
7 the board. Any person appointed to a position on the board shall forfeit  
8 such position upon vacating the office or position which qualified such  
9 person to be appointed as a member of the board.

10 ~~(c) Of the two additional physician members appointed by the~~  
11 ~~governor on and after July 1, 2011, one shall be appointed for a term of~~  
12 ~~three years and one shall be appointed for a term of four years. Thereafter,~~  
13 ~~Members shall be appointed for terms of four years and until their~~  
14 ~~successors are appointed and qualified. In the case of a vacancy in the~~  
15 ~~membership of the board, the vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired~~  
16 ~~term.~~

17 (d) The board shall meet at least six times annually and at least once  
18 each quarter and at the call of the chairperson or at the request of the  
19 ~~administrator~~ *executive director* of the emergency medical services board  
20 or of any ~~six~~ *seven* members of the board. At the first meeting of the board  
21 after January 1 each year, the members shall elect a chairperson and a  
22 vice-chairperson who shall serve for a term of one year. The vice-  
23 chairperson shall exercise all of the powers of the chairperson in the  
24 absence of the chairperson. If a vacancy occurs in the office of the  
25 chairperson or vice-chairperson, the board shall fill such vacancy by  
26 election of one of its members to serve the unexpired term of such office.  
27 Members of the board attending meetings of the board or attending a  
28 subcommittee meeting thereof authorized by the board shall be paid  
29 compensation, subsistence allowances, mileage and other expenses as  
30 provided in K.S.A. 75-3223, and amendments thereto.

31 (e) Except as otherwise provided by law, all vouchers for  
32 expenditures and all payrolls of the emergency medical services board  
33 shall be approved by the emergency medical services board or a person  
34 designated by the board.

35 Sec. 2. K.S.A. ~~2014~~ *2015* Supp. 65-6111 is hereby amended to read  
36 as follows: 65-6111. (a) The emergency medical services board shall:

37 (1) Adopt any rules and regulations necessary to carry out the  
38 provisions of this act;

39 (2) review and approve the allocation and expenditure of moneys  
40 appropriated for emergency medical services;

41 (3) conduct hearings for all regulatory matters concerning ambulance  
42 services, attendants, instructor-coordinators, training officers and ~~providers~~  
43 ~~of training~~ *sponsoring organizations*;

- 1 (4) submit a budget to the legislature for the operation of the board;
- 2 (5) develop a state plan for the delivery of emergency medical  
3 services;
- 4 (6) enter into contracts as may be necessary to carry out the duties  
5 and functions of the board under this act;
- 6 (7) review and approve all requests for state and federal funding  
7 involving emergency medical services projects in the state or delegate such  
8 duties to the ~~administrator~~ *executive director*;
- 9 (8) approve all training programs for attendants, instructor-  
10 coordinators and training officers and prescribe certification application  
11 fees by rules and regulations;
- 12 (9) approve methods of examination for certification of attendants,  
13 training officers and instructor-coordinators and prescribe examination  
14 fees by rules and regulations;
- 15 (10) appoint a medical advisory council of not less than six members,  
16 including ~~two~~ *one* board members, ~~one of whom~~ *member who* shall be a  
17 physician and not less than ~~four~~ *five* other physicians who are active and  
18 knowledgeable in the field of emergency medical services who are not  
19 members of the board to advise and assist the board in medical standards  
20 and practices as determined by the board. The medical advisory council  
21 shall elect a chairperson from among its membership and shall meet upon  
22 the call of the chairperson; and
- 23 (11) approve ~~providers of training~~ *sponsoring organizations* by  
24 prescribing standards and requirements by rules and regulations and  
25 withdraw or modify such approval in accordance with the Kansas  
26 administrative ~~procedures~~ *procedure* act and the rules and regulations of  
27 the board.
- 28 (b) The emergency medical services board may grant a temporary  
29 variance from an identified rule or regulation when a literal application or  
30 enforcement of the rule or regulation would result in serious hardship and  
31 the relief granted would not result in any unreasonable risk to the public  
32 interest, safety or welfare.
- 33 Sec. 3. K.S.A. ~~2013~~ **2015** Supp. 65-6112, ~~as amended by section 51~~  
34 ~~of chapter 131 of the 2014 Session Laws of Kansas~~; is hereby amended to  
35 read as follows: 65-6112. As used in this act:
- 36 (a) "Administrator" means the executive director of the emergency  
37 medical services board.
- 38 (b) "Advanced emergency medical technician" means a person who  
39 holds an advanced emergency medical technician certificate issued  
40 pursuant to this act.
- 41 (c) "Advanced practice registered nurse" means an advanced practice  
42 registered nurse as defined in K.S.A. 65-1113, and amendments thereto.
- 43 (d) "Ambulance" means any privately or publicly owned motor

1 vehicle, airplane or helicopter designed, constructed, prepared, staffed and  
2 equipped for use in transporting and providing emergency care for  
3 individuals who are ill or injured.

4 (e) "Ambulance service" means any organization operated for the  
5 purpose of transporting sick or injured persons to or from a place where  
6 medical care is furnished, whether or not such persons may be in need of  
7 emergency or medical care in transit.

8 (f) "Attendant" means a first responder, an emergency medical  
9 responder, emergency medical technician, emergency medical technician-  
10 intermediate, emergency medical technician-defibrillator, emergency  
11 medical technician-intermediate/defibrillator, advanced emergency  
12 medical technician, ~~mobile intensive care technician~~ or paramedic certified  
13 pursuant to this act.

14 (g) "Board" means the emergency medical services board established  
15 pursuant to K.S.A. 65-6102, and amendments thereto.

16 (h) "Emergency medical service" means the effective and coordinated  
17 delivery of such care as may be required by an emergency which includes  
18 the care and transportation of individuals by ambulance services and the  
19 performance of authorized emergency care by a physician, advanced  
20 practice registered nurse, professional nurse, a licensed physician assistant  
21 or attendant.

22 (i) "Emergency medical technician" means a person who holds an  
23 emergency medical technician certificate issued pursuant to this act.

24 (j) "Emergency medical technician-defibrillator" means a person who  
25 holds an emergency medical technician-defibrillator certificate issued  
26 pursuant to this act.

27 (k) "Emergency medical technician-intermediate" means a person  
28 who holds an emergency medical technician-intermediate certificate issued  
29 pursuant to this act.

30 (l) "Emergency medical technician-intermediate/defibrillator" means  
31 a person who holds both an emergency medical technician-intermediate  
32 and emergency medical technician-defibrillator certificate issued pursuant  
33 to this act.

34 (m) "Emergency medical responder" means a person who holds an  
35 emergency medical responder certificate issued pursuant to this act.

36 (n) "First responder" means a person who holds a first responder  
37 certificate issued pursuant to this act.

38 (o) "Hospital" means a hospital as defined by K.S.A. 65-425, and  
39 amendments thereto.

40 (p) "Instructor-coordinator" means a person who is certified under  
41 this act to teach *or coordinate both* initial certification and continuing  
42 education classes.

43 (q) "Medical director" means a physician.

1 (r) "Medical protocols" mean written guidelines which authorize  
2 attendants to perform certain medical procedures prior to contacting a  
3 physician, physician assistant authorized by a physician, advanced practice  
4 registered nurse authorized by a physician or professional nurse authorized  
5 by a physician. The medical protocols shall be approved by a county  
6 medical society or the medical staff of a hospital to which the ambulance  
7 service primarily transports patients, or if neither of the above are able or  
8 available to approve the medical protocols, then the medical protocols  
9 shall be submitted to the medical advisory council for approval.

10 (s) ~~"Mobile intensive care technician" means a person who holds a~~  
11 ~~mobile intensive care technician certificate issued pursuant to this act.~~

12 (t) "Municipality" means any city, county, township, fire district or  
13 ambulance service district.

14 (u) (t) "Nonemergency transportation" means the care and transport  
15 of a sick or injured person under a foreseen combination of circumstances  
16 calling for continuing care of such person. As used in this subsection,  
17 transportation includes performance of the authorized level of services of  
18 the attendant whether within or outside the vehicle as part of such  
19 transportation services.

20 (v) (u) "Operator" means a person or municipality who has a permit  
21 to operate an ambulance service in the state of Kansas.

22 (w) (v) "Paramedic" means a person who holds a paramedic  
23 certificate issued pursuant to this act.

24 (x) (w) "Person" means an individual, a partnership, an association, a  
25 joint-stock company or a corporation.

26 (y) (x) "Physician" means a person licensed by the state board of  
27 healing arts to practice medicine and surgery.

28 (z) (y) ~~"Physician assistant" means a person who is licensed under the~~  
29 ~~physician assistant licensure act and who is acting under the direction of a~~  
30 ~~supervising physician assistant as defined in K.S.A. 65-28a02, and~~  
31 ~~amendments thereto.~~

32 (aa) (z) "Professional nurse" means a licensed professional nurse as  
33 defined by K.S.A. 65-1113, and amendments thereto.

34 (bb) ~~"Provider of training" means a corporation, partnership,~~  
35 ~~accredited postsecondary education institution, ambulance service, fire~~  
36 ~~department, hospital or municipality that conducts training programs that~~  
37 ~~include, but are not limited to, initial courses of instruction and continuing~~  
38 ~~education for attendants, instructor-coordinators or training officers~~

39 (aa) *"Sponsoring organization" means any professional association,*  
40 *accredited postsecondary educational institution, ambulance service*  
41 *which holds a permit to operate in this state, fire department, other*  
42 *officially organized public safety agency, hospital, corporation,*  
43 *governmental entity or emergency medical services regional council, as*

1 *approved by the executive director, to offer initial courses of instruction or*  
2 *continuing education programs.*

3 ~~(ee) "Supervising physician" means supervising physician as such~~  
4 ~~term is defined under K.S.A. 65-28a02, and amendments thereto.~~

5 ~~(dd) (bb) "Training officer" means a person who is certified pursuant~~  
6 ~~to this act to teach; or coordinate or both, initial courses of instruction for~~  
7 ~~first responders or emergency medical responders and continuing~~  
8 ~~education as prescribed by the board.~~

9 Sec. 4. K.S.A. ~~2014~~ **2015** Supp. 65-6120 is hereby amended to read  
10 as follows: 65-6120. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the  
11 contrary, an emergency medical technician-intermediate may:

12 (1) Perform any of the activities identified by K.S.A. 65-6121(a), and  
13 amendments thereto;

14 (2) when approved by medical protocols or where voice contact by  
15 radio or telephone is monitored by a physician, physician assistant where  
16 authorized by a physician, advanced practice registered nurse where  
17 authorized by a physician or ~~licensed~~ professional nurse where authorized  
18 by a physician, and direct communication is maintained, upon order of  
19 such person, may perform veni-puncture for the purpose of blood sampling  
20 collection and initiation and maintenance of intravenous infusion of saline  
21 solutions, dextrose and water solutions or ringers lactate IV solutions,  
22 endotracheal intubation and administration of nebulized albuterol;

23 (3) perform, during an emergency, those activities specified in  
24 subsection (a)(2) before contacting the persons identified in subsection (a)  
25 (2) when specifically authorized to perform such activities by medical  
26 protocols; or

27 (4) perform, during nonemergency transportation, those activities  
28 specified in this section when specifically authorized to perform such  
29 activities by medical protocols.

30 (b) An individual who holds a valid certificate as an emergency  
31 medical technician-intermediate once successfully completing the board  
32 prescribed transition course, and validation of cognitive and psychomotor  
33 competency as determined by rules and regulations of the board, may  
34 apply to transition to become an advanced emergency medical technician.  
35 Alternatively, upon application for renewal, such individual shall be  
36 deemed to hold a certificate as an advanced emergency medical technician  
37 under this act, provided such individual has completed all continuing  
38 education hour requirements inclusive of the successful completion of a  
39 transition course and such individual shall not be required to file an  
40 original application for certification as an advanced emergency medical  
41 technician under this act.

42 (c) "Renewal" as used in subsection (b), refers to the first or second  
43 opportunity after December 31, 2011, that an emergency medical

1 technician-intermediate has to apply for renewal of a certificate.

2 (d) Emergency medical technician-intermediates who fail to meet the  
3 transition requirements as specified may complete either the board  
4 prescribed emergency medical technician transition course or emergency  
5 medical responder transition course, provide validation of cognitive and  
6 psychomotor competency and all continuing education hour requirements  
7 inclusive of the successful completion of a transition course as determined  
8 by rules and regulations of the board. Upon completion, such emergency  
9 medical technician-intermediate may apply to transition to become an  
10 emergency medical technician or an emergency medical responder,  
11 depending on the transition course that was successfully completed.  
12 Alternatively, upon application for renewal of an emergency medical  
13 technician-intermediate certificate, the applicant shall be renewed as an  
14 emergency medical technician or an emergency medical responder,  
15 depending on the transition course that was successfully completed. Such  
16 individual shall not be required to file an original application for  
17 certification as an emergency medical technician or emergency medical  
18 responder.

19 (e) Failure to successfully complete either an advanced emergency  
20 medical technician transition course, an emergency medical technician  
21 transition course or emergency medical responder transition course will  
22 result in loss of certification.

23 (f) Upon transition, notwithstanding any other provision of law to the  
24 contrary, an advanced emergency medical technician may:

25 (1) Perform any of the activities identified by K.S.A. 65-6121, and  
26 amendments thereto; and

27 (2) perform any of the following interventions, by use of the devices,  
28 medications and equipment, or any combination thereof, as specifically  
29 identified in rules and regulations, after successfully completing an  
30 approved course of instruction, local specialized device training and  
31 competency validation and when authorized by medical protocols, or upon  
32 order when direct communication is maintained by radio, telephone or  
33 video conference with a physician, physician assistant where authorized by  
34 a physician, an advanced practice registered nurse where authorized by a  
35 physician, or ~~licensed~~ professional nurse where authorized by a physician  
36 upon order of such a person: ~~(A) Continuous positive airway pressure~~  
37 ~~devices;~~ ~~(B) Advanced airway management;~~ ~~(C) (B) referral of patient of~~  
38 ~~alternate medical care site based on assessment;~~ ~~(D) (C) transportation of a~~  
39 ~~patient with a capped arterial line;~~ ~~(E) (D) veni-puncture for obtaining~~  
40 ~~blood sample;~~ ~~(F) (E) initiation and maintenance of intravenous infusion~~  
41 ~~or saline lock;~~ ~~(G) (F) initiation of intraosseous infusion;~~ ~~(H) (G)~~  
42 ~~nebulized therapy;~~ ~~(I) (H) manual defibrillation and cardioversion;~~ ~~(J) (I)~~  
43 ~~cardiac monitoring;~~ ~~(K) (J) electrocardiogram interpretation;~~ ~~(K)~~

1 *monitoring of a nasogastric tube; (L) administration of ~~generic or trade~~*  
2 *~~name medications by one or more of the following methods: (i)~~*  
3 *~~Aerosolization; (ii) nebulization; (iii) intravenous; (iv) intranasal; (v)~~*  
4 *~~rectal; (vi) subcutaneous; (vii) intraosseous; (viii) intramuscular; or (ix)~~*  
5 *~~sublingual as specified by rules and regulations of the board.~~*

6 (g) An individual who holds a valid certificate as both an emergency  
7 medical technician-intermediate and as an emergency medical technician-  
8 defibrillator once successfully completing the board prescribed transition  
9 course, and validation of cognitive and psychomotor competency as  
10 determined by rules and regulations of the board, may apply to transition  
11 to an advanced emergency medical technician. Alternatively, upon  
12 application for renewal, such individual shall be deemed to hold a  
13 certificate as an advanced emergency medical technician under this act,  
14 provided such individual has completed all continuing education hour  
15 requirements inclusive of successful completion of a transition course, and  
16 such individual shall not be required to file an original application for  
17 certification as an advanced emergency medical technician under this act.

18 (h) "Renewal" as used in subsection (g), refers to the first or second  
19 opportunity after December 31, 2011, that an emergency medical  
20 technician-intermediate and emergency medical technician-defibrillator  
21 has to apply for renewal of a certificate.

22 (i) An individual who holds both an emergency medical technician-  
23 intermediate certificate and an emergency medical technician-defibrillator  
24 certificate, who fails to meet the transition requirements as specified may  
25 complete either the board prescribed emergency medical technician  
26 transition course or emergency medical responder transition course, and  
27 provide validation of cognitive and psychomotor competency and all  
28 continuing education hour requirements inclusive of successful completion  
29 of a transition course as determined by rules and regulations of the board.  
30 Upon completion, such individual may apply to transition to become an  
31 emergency medical technician or emergency medical responder, depending  
32 on the transition course that was successfully completed. Alternatively,  
33 upon application for renewal of an emergency medical technician-  
34 intermediate certificate and an emergency medical technician-defibrillator  
35 certificate, the applicant shall be renewed as an emergency medical  
36 technician or an emergency medical responder, depending on the transition  
37 course that was successfully completed. Such individual shall not be  
38 required to file an original application for certification as an emergency  
39 medical technician or emergency medical responder.

40 (j) Failure to successfully complete either the advanced emergency  
41 medical technician transition requirements, an emergency medical  
42 technician transition course or the emergency medical responder transition  
43 course will result in loss of certification.



1       Sec. 5. K.S.A. ~~2014~~ **2015** Supp. 65-6121 is hereby amended to read  
2 as follows: 65-6121. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the  
3 contrary, an emergency medical technician may perform any of the  
4 following activities:

- 5       (1) ~~Patient assessment and vital signs;~~
- 6       (2) ~~airway maintenance including the use of:~~
  - 7       (A) ~~Oropharyngeal and nasopharyngeal airways;~~
  - 8       (B) ~~esophageal obturator airways with or without gastric suction~~  
9 ~~device;~~
  - 10       (C) ~~multi-lumen airway; and~~
  - 11       (D) ~~oxygen demand valves.~~
- 12       (3) ~~Oxygen therapy;~~
- 13       (4) ~~oropharyngeal suctioning;~~
- 14       (5) ~~cardiopulmonary resuscitation procedures;~~
- 15       (6) ~~control accessible bleeding;~~
- 16       (7) ~~apply pneumatic anti-shock garment;~~
- 17       (8) ~~manage outpatient medical emergencies;~~
- 18       (9) ~~extricate patients and utilize lifting and moving techniques;~~
- 19       (10) ~~manage musculoskeletal and soft tissue injuries including~~  
20 ~~dressing and bandaging wounds or the splinting of fractures, dislocations,~~  
21 ~~sprains or strains;~~
- 22       (11) ~~use of backboards to immobilize the spine;~~
- 23       (12) ~~administer activated charcoal and glucose;~~
- 24       (13) ~~monitor intravenous line delivering intravenous fluids during~~  
25 ~~interfacility transport with the following restrictions:~~
  - 26       (A) ~~The physician approves the transfer by an emergency medical~~  
27 ~~technician;~~
  - 28       (B) ~~no medications or nutrients have been added to the intravenous~~  
29 ~~fluids; and~~
  - 30       (C) ~~the emergency medical technician may monitor, maintain and~~  
31 ~~shut off the flow of intravenous fluid;~~
- 32       (14) ~~use automated external defibrillators;~~
- 33       (15) ~~administer epinephrine auto-injectors provided that:~~
  - 34       (A) ~~The emergency medical technician successfully completes a~~  
35 ~~course of instruction approved by the board in the administration of~~  
36 ~~epinephrine;~~
  - 37       (B) ~~the emergency medical technician serves with an ambulance~~  
38 ~~service or a first response organization that provides emergency medical~~  
39 ~~services; and~~
  - 40       (C) ~~the emergency medical technician is acting pursuant to medical~~  
41 ~~protocols;~~
- 42       (16) ~~perform, during nonemergency transportation, those activities~~  
43 ~~specified in this section when specifically authorized to perform such~~

1 activities by medical protocols; or

2 (17) ~~when authorized by medical protocol, assist the patient in the~~  
3 ~~administration of the following medications which have been prescribed~~  
4 ~~for that patient: Auto-injection epinephrine, sublingual nitroglycerin and~~  
5 ~~inhalers for asthma and emphysema.~~

6 (b) ~~An individual who holds a valid certificate as an emergency~~  
7 ~~medical technician at the current basic level once successfully completing~~  
8 ~~the board prescribed transition course, and validation of cognitive and~~  
9 ~~psychomotor competency as determined by rules and regulations of the~~  
10 ~~board, may apply to transition to become an emergency medical~~  
11 ~~technician. Alternatively, upon application for renewal, such individual~~  
12 ~~shall be deemed to hold a certificate as an emergency medical technician~~  
13 ~~under this act, provided such individual has completed all continuing~~  
14 ~~education hour requirements inclusive of successful completion of a~~  
15 ~~transition course, and such individual shall not be required to file an~~  
16 ~~original application for certification as an emergency medical technician.~~

17 (c) ~~"Renewal" as used in subsection (b), refers to the first opportunity~~  
18 ~~after December 31, 2011, that an emergency medical technician has to~~  
19 ~~apply for renewal of a certificate following the effective date of this act.~~

20 (d) ~~Emergency medical technicians who fail to meet the transition~~  
21 ~~requirements as specified may successfully complete the board prescribed~~  
22 ~~emergency medical responder transition course, provide validation of~~  
23 ~~cognitive and psychomotor competency and all continuing education hour~~  
24 ~~requirements inclusive of the successful completion of a transition course~~  
25 ~~as determined by rules and regulations of the board. Alternatively, upon~~  
26 ~~application for renewal of an emergency medical technician certificate, the~~  
27 ~~applicant shall be deemed to hold a certificate as an emergency medical~~  
28 ~~responder under this act, and such individual shall not be required to file~~  
29 ~~an original application for certification as an emergency medical~~  
30 ~~responder.~~

31 (e) ~~Failure to successfully complete either an emergency medical~~  
32 ~~technician transition course or emergency medical responder transition~~  
33 ~~course will result in loss of certification.~~

34 (f) ~~Upon transition, notwithstanding any other provision of law to the~~  
35 ~~contrary, an emergency medical technician may perform any activities~~  
36 ~~identified in K.S.A. 65-6144, and amendments thereto, and any of the~~  
37 ~~following interventions, by use of the devices, medications and equipment,~~  
38 ~~or any combination thereof, after successfully completing an approved~~  
39 ~~course of instruction, local specialized device training and competency~~  
40 ~~validation and when authorized by medical protocols, or upon order when~~  
41 ~~direct communication is maintained by radio, telephone or video~~  
42 ~~conference is monitored by a physician, physician assistant when~~  
43 ~~authorized by a physician, an advanced practice registered nurse when~~

1 authorized by a physician or a ~~licensed~~ professional nurse when authorized  
 2 by a physician, upon order of such person:

- 3 (1) Airway maintenance including use of:  
 4 (A) Single lumen airways as approved by the board;  
 5 (B) multilumen airways;  
 6 (C) ventilator devices;  
 7 (D) *non-invasive positive pressure ventilation*;  
 8 (E) forceps removal of airway obstruction;  
 9 ~~(F) CO2 monitoring;~~  
 10 ~~(G) airway suctioning;~~  
 11 (2) ~~apply pneumatic anti-shock garment;~~  
 12 ~~(3) assist with childbirth;~~  
 13 ~~(4) monitoring urinary catheter;~~  
 14 ~~(5) (3) capillary blood sampling;~~  
 15 ~~(6) cardiac monitoring;~~  
 16 ~~(7) (4) administration of patient assisted medications as approved by~~  
 17 ~~the board;~~  
 18 ~~(8) (5) administration of medications as approved by the board by~~  
 19 ~~appropriate routes; and~~  
 20 ~~(9) (6) monitor, maintain or discontinue flow of IV line if a physician~~  
 21 ~~approves transfer by an emergency medical technician; and~~  
 22 (7) *application of a traction splint.*

23 Sec. 6. K.S.A. ~~2014~~ 2015 Supp. 65-6129b is hereby amended to read  
 24 as follows: 65-6129b. (a) Application for an instructor-coordinator's  
 25 certificate shall be made to the board upon forms provided by the  
 26 ~~administrator~~ *executive director*. The board may grant an instructor-  
 27 coordinator's certificate to an attendant who: (1) Has served as an attendant  
 28 in the emergency medical services field during the preceding 12 months  
 29 prior to applying for such certificate; (2) has made application within one  
 30 year after successfully completing the training, approved by the board, in  
 31 instructing and coordinating attendant training programs; (3) has passed an  
 32 examination prescribed by the board; and (4) has paid a fee as prescribed  
 33 by rules and regulations of the board.

34 (b) The board may grant an instructor-coordinator's certificate to a  
 35 physician or a professional nurse who: (1) Has made application within  
 36 one year after successfully completing the training, approved by the board,  
 37 in instructing and coordinating attendant training programs; (2) has passed  
 38 an examination prescribed by the board; and (3) has paid a fee as  
 39 prescribed by rules and regulations of the board.

40 (c) An instructor-coordinator's certificate shall expire on the  
 41 expiration date of the attendant's certificate if the instructor-coordinator is  
 42 an attendant or on the expiration date of the physician's or professional  
 43 nurse's license if the instructor is a physician or professional nurse. An

1 instructor-coordinator's certificate may be renewed for the same period as  
2 the attendant's certificate or the physician's or professional nurse's license  
3 upon payment of a fee as prescribed by rule and regulation of the board  
4 and upon presentation of satisfactory proof that the instructor-coordinator  
5 has successfully completed continuing education as prescribed by the  
6 board. The board may prorate to the nearest whole month the fee fixed  
7 under this subsection as necessary to implement the provisions of this  
8 subsection.

9 (d) An instructor-coordinator's certificate may be denied, revoked,  
10 limited, modified or suspended by the board or the board may refuse to  
11 renew such certificate if such individual:

12 (1) Does not hold an attendant's certificate or a physician's or  
13 professional nurse's license;

14 (2) has made misrepresentations intentionally in obtaining a  
15 certificate or renewing a certificate;

16 (3) has demonstrated incompetence or engaged in unprofessional  
17 conduct as defined by rules and regulations adopted by the board;

18 (4) has violated or aided and abetted in the violation of any provision  
19 of this act or rules and regulations adopted by the board; or

20 (5) has been convicted of any state or federal crime that is related  
21 substantially to the qualifications, functions and duties of an instructor-  
22 coordinator or any crime punishable as a felony under any state or federal  
23 statute, and the board determines that such individual has not been  
24 sufficiently rehabilitated to warrant the public trust. A conviction means a  
25 plea of guilty, a plea of nolo contendere or a verdict of guilty. The board  
26 may take disciplinary action pursuant to this section when the time for  
27 appeal has elapsed, or after the judgment of conviction is affirmed on  
28 appeal or when an order granting probation is made suspending the  
29 imposition of sentence.

30 (e) The board may *deny*, limit, modify, revoke or suspend a certificate  
31 or the board may refuse to renew such certificate in accordance with the  
32 provisions of the Kansas administrative procedure act.

33 (f) All fees received pursuant to this section shall be remitted to the  
34 state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and  
35 amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state  
36 treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit  
37 of the state general fund.

38 (g) If a person who was previously certified as an instructor-  
39 coordinator applies for an instructor-coordinator certificate within two  
40 years of the date of its expiration, the board may grant a certificate without  
41 the person completing the training or passing an examination if the person  
42 complies with the other provisions of subsection (a) or (b) and completes  
43 continuing education requirements prescribed by the board.

1       Sec. 7. K.S.A. ~~2014~~ **2015** Supp. 65-6129c is hereby amended to read  
2 as follows: 65-6129c. (a) Application for a training officer's certificate  
3 shall be made to the emergency medical services board upon forms  
4 provided by the ~~administrator~~ *executive director*. The board may grant a  
5 training officer's certificate to an applicant who: (1) Is an ~~emergency~~  
6 ~~medical technician, emergency medical technician-intermediate,~~  
7 ~~emergency medical technician-defibrillator, mobile intensive care~~  
8 ~~technician, advanced emergency medical technician, paramedic attendant~~  
9 ~~certified pursuant to K.S.A. 65-6119, 65-6120 and 65-6121, and~~  
10 ~~amendments thereto,~~ physician, physician assistant, advanced practice  
11 registered nurse or professional nurse; (2) successfully completes an initial  
12 course of training approved by the board; (3) passes an examination  
13 prescribed by the board; (4) is appointed by a ~~provider of training~~  
14 ~~sponsoring organization~~ approved by the board; and (5) has paid a fee  
15 established by the board.

16       (b) A training officer's certificate shall expire on the expiration date  
17 of the attendant's certificate if the training officer is an attendant or on the  
18 expiration date of the physician's, physician assistant's, advanced practice  
19 registered nurse's or professional nurse's license if the training officer is a  
20 physician, physician assistant, advanced practice registered nurse or  
21 professional nurse. A training officer's certificate may be renewed for the  
22 same period as the attendant's certificate or the physician's, physician  
23 assistant's, advanced practice registered nurse's or professional nurse's  
24 license upon payment of a fee as prescribed by rules and regulations and  
25 upon presentation of satisfactory proof that the training officer has  
26 successfully completed continuing education prescribed by the board and  
27 is certified as ~~an emergency medical technician, emergency medical~~  
28 ~~technician-intermediate, emergency medical technician-defibrillator,~~  
29 ~~mobile intensive care technician, advanced emergency medical technician,~~  
30 ~~paramedic an attendant certified pursuant to K.S.A. 65-6119, 65-6120 and~~  
31 ~~65-6121, and amendments thereto,~~ physician, physician assistant,  
32 advanced practice registered nurse or professional nurse. The board may  
33 prorate to the nearest whole month the fee fixed under this subsection as  
34 necessary to implement the provisions of this subsection.

35       (c) A training officer's certificate may be denied, revoked, limited,  
36 modified or suspended by the board or the board may refuse to renew such  
37 certificate if such individual:

38       (1) Fails to maintain certification or licensure as ~~an emergency~~  
39 ~~medical technician, emergency medical technician-intermediate,~~  
40 ~~emergency medical technician-defibrillator, mobile intensive care~~  
41 ~~technician, advanced emergency medical technician, paramedic an~~  
42 ~~attendant certified pursuant to K.S.A. 65-6119, 65-6120 and 65-6121, and~~  
43 ~~amendments thereto,~~ physician, physician assistant, advanced practice

1 registered nurse or professional nurse;

2 (2) fails to maintain support of appointment by a ~~provider of training~~  
3 *sponsoring organization*;

4 (3) fails to successfully complete continuing education;

5 (4) has made intentional misrepresentations in obtaining a certificate  
6 or renewing a certificate;

7 (5) has demonstrated incompetence or engaged in unprofessional  
8 conduct as defined by rules and regulations adopted by the board;

9 (6) has violated or aided and abetted in the violation of any provision  
10 of this act or the rules and regulations promulgated by the board; or

11 (7) has been convicted of any state or federal crime that is related  
12 substantially to the qualifications, functions and duties of a training officer  
13 or any crime punishable as a felony under any state or federal statute and  
14 the board determines that such individual has not been sufficiently  
15 rehabilitated to warrant public trust. A conviction means a plea of guilty, a  
16 plea of nolo contendere or a verdict of guilty. The board may take  
17 disciplinary action pursuant to this section when the time for appeal has  
18 elapsed, or after the judgment of conviction is affirmed on appeal or when  
19 an order granting probation is made suspending the imposition of sentence.

20 (d) The board may *deny*, revoke, limit, modify or suspend a *training*  
21 *officer* certificate or the board may refuse to renew such certificate in  
22 accordance with the provisions of the Kansas administrative procedure act.

23 (e) If a person who previously was certified as a training officer  
24 applies for a training officer's certificate within two years of the date of its  
25 expiration, the board may grant a certificate without the person completing  
26 an initial course of training or taking an examination if the person  
27 complies with the other provisions of subsection (a) and completes  
28 continuing education requirements.

29 Sec. 8. K.S.A. ~~2014~~ **2015** Supp. 65-6133 is hereby amended to read  
30 as follows: 65-6133. (a) An attendant's, ~~instructor-coordinator's or training~~  
31 ~~officer's~~ certificate may be denied, revoked, limited, modified or  
32 suspended by the board or the board may refuse to renew such certificate  
33 upon proof that such individual:

34 (1) Has made intentional misrepresentations in obtaining a certificate  
35 or renewing a certificate;

36 (2) has performed or attempted to perform activities not authorized by  
37 statute at the level of certification held by the individual;

38 (3) has demonstrated incompetence as defined by rules and  
39 regulations adopted by the board or has provided inadequate patient care  
40 as determined by the board;

41 (4) has violated or aided and abetted in the violation of any provision  
42 of this act or the rules and regulations adopted by the board;

43 (5) has been convicted of a felony and, after investigation by the

1 board, it is determined that such person has not been sufficiently  
2 rehabilitated to warrant the public trust;

3 (6) has demonstrated an inability to perform authorized activities with  
4 reasonable skill and safety by reason of illness, alcoholism, excessive use  
5 of drugs, controlled substances or any physical or mental condition;

6 (7) has engaged in unprofessional conduct, as defined by rules and  
7 regulations adopted by the board; or

8 (8) has had a certificate, license or permit to practice emergency  
9 medical services as an attendant denied, revoked, limited or suspended or  
10 has been publicly or privately censured, by a licensing or other regulatory  
11 authority of another state, agency of the United States government,  
12 territory of the United States or other country or has had other disciplinary  
13 action taken against the applicant or holder of a permit, license or  
14 certificate by a licensing or other regulatory authority of another state,  
15 agency of the United States government, territory of the United States or  
16 other country. A certified copy of the record or order of public or private  
17 censure, denial, suspension, limitation, revocation or other disciplinary  
18 action of the licensing or other regulatory authority of another state,  
19 agency of the United States government, territory of the United States or  
20 other country shall constitute prima facie evidence of such a fact for  
21 purposes of this paragraph.

22 (b) The board may *deny*, limit, modify, revoke or suspend an  
23 attendant's ~~or instructor-coordinator's~~ certificate or the board may refuse to  
24 renew such certificate in accordance with the provisions of the Kansas  
25 administrative procedure act.

26 Sec. 9. K.S.A. ~~2014~~ **2015** Supp. 65-6135 is hereby amended to read  
27 as follows: 65-6135. (a) All ambulance services providing emergency care  
28 as defined by the rules and regulations adopted by the board shall offer  
29 service 24 hours per day every day of the year.

30 (b) Whenever an operator is required to have a permit, at least one  
31 person on each vehicle providing emergency medical service shall be an  
32 attendant certified ~~as an emergency medical technician, emergency~~  
33 ~~medical technician-intermediate, emergency medical technician-~~  
34 ~~defibrillator, a mobile intensive care technician, emergency medical~~  
35 ~~technician-intermediate/defibrillator, advanced emergency medical~~  
36 ~~technician, a paramedic pursuant to K.S.A. 65-6119, 65-6120 or 65-6121,~~  
37 ~~and amendments thereto,~~ a physician, a ~~licensed~~ physician assistant, ~~a~~  
38 ~~licensed~~ an advanced practice registered nurse or a professional nurse.

39 Sec. 10. K.S.A. ~~2014~~ **2015** Supp. 65-6144 is hereby amended to read  
40 as follows: 65-6144. (a) ~~A first responder may perform any of the~~  
41 ~~following activities:~~

42 (1) ~~Initial scene management including, but not limited to, gaining~~  
43 ~~access to the individual in need of emergency care, extricating, lifting and~~

1 moving the individual;

2 ~~(2) cardiopulmonary resuscitation and airway management;~~

3 ~~(3) control of bleeding;~~

4 ~~(4) extremity splinting excluding traction splinting;~~

5 ~~(5) stabilization of the condition of the individual in need of~~  
6 ~~emergency care;~~

7 ~~(6) oxygen therapy;~~

8 ~~(7) use of oropharyngeal airways;~~

9 ~~(8) use of bag valve masks;~~

10 ~~(9) use automated external defibrillators; and~~

11 ~~(10) other techniques of preliminary care a first responder is trained~~  
12 ~~to provide as approved by the board.~~

13 ~~(b) An individual who holds a valid certificate as a first responder,~~  
14 ~~once completing the board prescribed transition course, and validation of~~  
15 ~~cognitive and psychomotor competency as determined by rules and~~  
16 ~~regulations of the board, may apply to transition to become an emergency~~  
17 ~~medical responder. Alternatively, upon application for renewal of such~~  
18 ~~certificate, such individual shall be deemed to hold a certificate as an~~  
19 ~~emergency medical responder under this act, provided such individual has~~  
20 ~~completed all continuing education hour requirements inclusive of a~~  
21 ~~transition course and such individual shall not be required to file an~~  
22 ~~original application for certification as an emergency medical responder.~~

23 ~~(c) "Renewal" as used in subsection (b), refers to the first opportunity~~  
24 ~~after December 31, 2011, that an attendant has to apply for renewal of a~~  
25 ~~certificate.~~

26 ~~(d) First responder attendants who fail to meet the transition~~  
27 ~~requirements as specified will forfeit their certification.~~

28 ~~(e) Upon transition, notwithstanding any other provision of law to the~~  
29 ~~contrary, An emergency medical responder may perform any of the~~  
30 ~~following interventions, by use of the devices, medications and equipment,~~  
31 ~~or any combination thereof, after successfully completing an approved~~  
32 ~~course of instruction, local specialized device training and competency~~  
33 ~~validation and when authorized by medical protocols, or upon order when~~  
34 ~~direct communication is maintained by radio, telephone or video~~  
35 ~~conference is monitored by a physician, physician assistant when~~  
36 ~~authorized by a physician, an advanced practice registered nurse when~~  
37 ~~authorized by a physician or a licensed professional nurse when authorized~~  
38 ~~by a physician, upon order of such person: (1) Emergency vehicle~~  
39 ~~operations; (2) initial scene management; (3) patient assessment and~~  
40 ~~stabilization; (4) *cardiac arrest management through the use of*~~  
41 ~~cardiopulmonary resuscitation and ~~airway management~~ *the use of an*~~  
42 ~~*automated external defibrillator*; (5) *airway management and oxygen*~~  
43 ~~*therapy*; (6) *utilization of equipment for the purposes of acquiring an EKG*~~



1 *rhythm strip; (7) control of bleeding; ~~(6) (8) extremity splinting; ~~(7) (9)~~~~  
2 ~~spinal immobilization; (8) oxygen therapy; (9) use of bag-valve-mask; (10)~~  
3 ~~use of automated external defibrillator; (11) (10) nebulizer therapy; ~~(12)~~~~  
4 ~~(11) intramuscular injections with auto-injector; ~~(13) (12) administration of~~~~  
5 ~~oral glucose; (14) administration of aspirin; (15) medications as approved~~  
6 ~~by the board by appropriate routes; (13) recognize and comply with~~  
7 ~~advanced directives; ~~(16) insertion and maintenance of oral and nasal~~~~  
8 ~~pharyngeal airways; (17) (14) use of blood glucose monitoring; (15) assist~~  
9 ~~with childbirth; (16) non-invasive monitoring of hemoglobin derivatives;~~  
10 ~~and ~~(18) (17) other techniques and devices of preliminary care an~~~~  
11 ~~emergency medical responder is trained to provide as approved by the~~  
12 ~~board.~~*

13 Sec. 11. ~~K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 65-6112, as amended by section 51 of~~  
14 ~~chapter 131 of the 2014 Session Laws of Kansas, and K.S.A. 2014 2015~~  
15 ~~Supp. 65-6102, 65-6111, **65-6112**, 65-6120, 65-6121, 65-6129b, 65-6129c,~~  
16 ~~65-6133, 65-6135 and 65-6144 are hereby repealed.~~

17 Sec. 12. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
18 publication in the statute book.