

HOUSE BILL NO. 1571

Introduced by

Representatives Uglem, Kerzman, Nelson

Senators G. Lee, Robinson

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 23-27-04.3 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to regional assistance to emergency medical services operations; to provide a penalty;
3 and to provide an appropriation.

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

5 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 23-27-04.3 of the North Dakota Century Code is
6 amended and reenacted as follows:

7 **23-27-04.3. Emergency medical services personnel training, testing, certification,**
8 **licensure, and quality review - Penalty.**

9 1. The state health council shall adopt rules prescribing minimum training, testing,
10 certification, licensure, and quality review standards for emergency medical
11 services personnel, instructors, and training institutions. Rules adopted must
12 ~~include:~~

13 a. ~~Include~~ a definition of minimum applicable standards;

14 b. ~~Include~~ a definition of emergency medical services personnel, ~~provide;~~

15 c. ~~Provide~~ for a mechanism ~~for certifying or licensing persons who have met the~~
16 ~~required standards,~~ to provide regional assistance to emergency medical
17 service operations for the purpose of reviewing the quality of care rendered by
18 emergency medical services personnel and for the purpose of providing
19 medical oversight and ambulance inspections;

20 d. ~~Provide~~ a mechanism to review and improve the quality of care rendered by
21 emergency medical services personnel; ~~and define~~

22 e. ~~Define~~ minimum standards for emergency medical services training
23 institutions.

24 2. Licensure as an emergency medical services training institution is optional.

1 3. It is a class B misdemeanor for an individual to willfully misrepresent that
2 individual's certification or licensing status as emergency medical services
3 personnel.

4 4. Quality review and improvement information, data, records, and proceedings are
5 not subject to subpoena or discovery or introduction into evidence in any civil
6 action.

7 **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the
8 general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$546,856, or so much
9 of the sum as may be necessary, to the state department of health for the purpose of providing
10 regional assistance to emergency medical services operations under section 1 of this Act, for
11 the biennium beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2011. The state department of
12 health is authorized 4 full-time equivalent positions for purposes of section 1 of this Act.