

**HOUSE BILL NO.**

Introduced by

Representative Uglem

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 and improving access to and  
18 quality of care rendered by emergency medical services personnel and for the  
19 purpose of providing medical oversight, ambulance inspections, and technical  
20 assistance;  
21 d. ~~Provide~~ a mechanism to review and improve the quality of care rendered by  
22 emergency medical services personnel; ~~;~~ and ~~define~~  
23 e. ~~Define~~ minimum standards for emergency medical services training  
24 institutions.

1           2.   Licensing as an emergency medical services training institution is optional.

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

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

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