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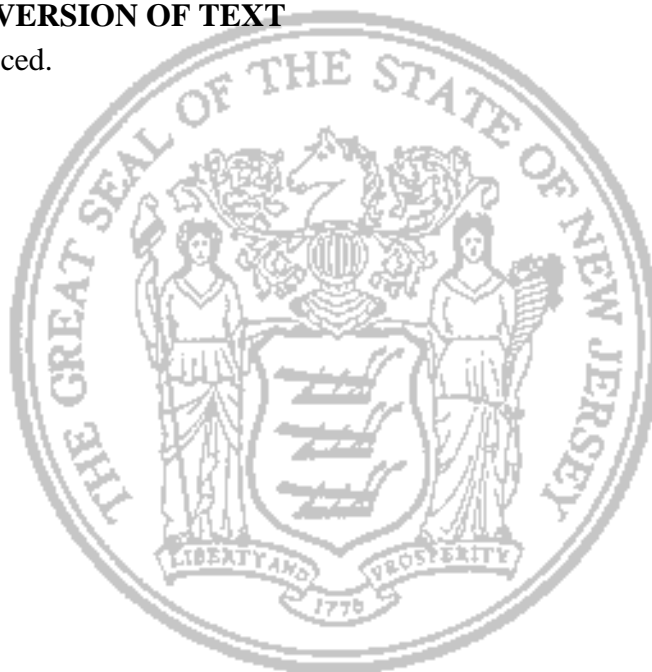
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**SYNOPSIS**

Makes various changes concerning regulation of emergency medical services; establishes new State Emergency Medical Services Medical Director in DOH.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 6/9/2022)**

1 AN ACT concerning emergency medical services and amending  
2 P.L.1984, c.146.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. Section 1 of P.L.1984, c.146 (C.26:2K-7) is amended to read  
8 as follows:

9 1. As used in this act:

10 a. "Advanced life support" means an advanced level of **[pre-**  
11 hospital, inter-hospital, and**]** emergency **[service]** medical care,  
12 including specialty care transport, which includes basic life support  
13 functions**[,** cardiac monitoring, cardiac defibrillation, telemetered  
14 electrocardiography, administration of anti-arrhythmic agents,  
15 intravenous therapy, administration of specific medications, drugs  
16 and solutions, use of adjunctive ventilation devices, trauma care and  
17 other techniques and procedures authorized in writing by the  
18 commissioner**]** and procedures, medications, and equipment  
19 established by the National Highway Traffic Safety  
20 Administration's scope of practice for paramedics, and any other  
21 such procedures, medications, and equipment as set forth in Section  
22 6 of P.L.1984, c.146 (C.26:2K-12);

23 b. "Board of Medical Examiners" means the State Board of  
24 Medical Examiners;

25 c. "Board of Nursing" means the New Jersey Board of Nursing;

26 d. "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of the State  
27 Department of Health;

28 e. "Department" means the State Department of Health;

29 f. "Emergency **[service]** department" means a program in a  
30 hospital staffed 24 hours a day by a licensed physician trained in  
31 emergency medicine;

32 g. **["Inter-hospital]** "Specialty care transport" means **[those**  
33 emergency medical**]** services that are above basic life support  
34 services rendered **[by mobile intensive care units]** to **[emergency]**  
35 patients before and during transportation between **[emergency**  
36 treatment**]** licensed facilities, during retrieval from those facilities,  
37 and upon arrival within those facilities;

38 h. "Mobile intensive care paramedic" means a person trained in  
39 advanced life support services and **[certified]** licensed by the  
40 commissioner to render advanced life support services as part of a  
41 mobile intensive care unit or as otherwise provided in section 4 of  
42 P.L.1984, c.146 (C.26:2K-10);

43 i. "Mobile intensive care unit" means a specialized emergency  
44 medical service **[vehicle]** unit that is staffed **[by mobile intensive**

**EXPLANATION** – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is  
not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

1 care paramedics or registered professional nurses trained in  
2 advanced life support nursing] in accordance with paragraph (2) of  
3 subsection a. of section 6 of P.L.1984, c.146 (C.26:2K-12) and  
4 operated for the provision of advanced life support services under  
5 the direction of an authorized hospital;

6 j. "Pre-hospital care" means those [emergency] medical  
7 services rendered by [mobile intensive care units to emergency  
8 patients] emergency medical services personnel before and during,  
9 or in lieu of, transportation to [emergency treatment] medical  
10 facilities, and upon arrival within those facilities.

11 k. "Volunteer paramedic unit" means an operational subunit  
12 within a mobile intensive care unit that is exclusively staffed by at  
13 least two volunteer paramedics with access to any vehicle,  
14 including a personal vehicle.

15 l. "Agency EMS medical director" means a physician licensed  
16 in this State who is certified in emergency medicine or emergency  
17 medical services, or both, and is responsible for the medical  
18 oversight of a hospital mobile intensive care program.

19 m. "Mobile integrated health" means the provision of non-  
20 emergency health care services by a paramedic, registered nurse,  
21 advanced practice nurse, or physician assistant under a mobile  
22 intensive care program using patient-centered, mobile resources in a  
23 prehospital care environment through an approved mobile intensive  
24 care hospital.

25 (cf: P.L.2021, c.480, s.1)

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27 2. Section 2 of P.L.1984, c.146 (C.26:2K-8) is amended to read  
28 as follows:

29 2. a. A mobile intensive care paramedic shall obtain  
30 [certification] licensure from the commissioner to [staff a mobile  
31 intensive care unit] provide advanced life support and shall make  
32 application therefor on forms prescribed by the commissioner.

33 b. The commissioner with the approval of the [board of  
34 medical examiners] State Board of Medical Examiners shall  
35 establish written standards which a mobile intensive care paramedic  
36 shall meet in order to obtain [certification] licensure. The  
37 commissioner shall act on a regular basis upon applications of  
38 candidates for [certification] licensure as a mobile intensive care  
39 paramedic. [The commissioner shall certify a candidate who  
40 provides satisfactory evidence of the successful completion of an  
41 educational program approved by the commissioner for the training  
42 of mobile intensive care paramedics and who passes an examination  
43 in the provision of advance life support services, which examination  
44 shall be conducted by the department at least twice a year.] The  
45 commissioner shall [certify] license a candidate for a mobile  
46 intensive care paramedic [certification] who has equivalent  
47 military training or experience in any branch of the active duty or

1 reserve component of the Armed Forces of the United States or the  
2 National Guard of any state if the commissioner determines that the  
3 candidate's military training and experience exceed or are  
4 equivalent to the certification standards established by the  
5 **【commissioner】** National Registry of Emergency Medical  
6 Technicians. The commissioner shall license a candidate for a  
7 mobile intensive care paramedic who is registered as a paramedic  
8 with the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians.

9 c. The department shall maintain a register of all applicants for  
10 **【certification】** licensure hereunder, which register shall include but  
11 not be limited to:

12 (1) The name and residence of the applicant;

13 (2) The date of the application;

14 (3) Information as to whether the applicant was rejected or  
15 **【certified】** licensed and the date of that action.

16 The department shall annually compile a list of mobile intensive  
17 care paramedics. This list shall be available to the public.

18 (cf: P.L.2013, c.101, s.2)

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20 3. Section 3 of P.L.1984, c.146 (C.26:2K-9) is amended to read  
21 as follows:

22 3. The commissioner after notice and hearing may revoke the  
23 **【certification】** license of a mobile intensive care paramedic for  
24 violation of any provision of this act or regulation promulgated  
25 hereunder.

26 (cf: P.L.1984, c.146, s.3)

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28 4. Section 4 of P.L.1984, c.146 (C.26:2K-10) is amended to  
29 read as follows:

30 4. a. A mobile intensive care paramedic may perform  
31 advanced life support services, provided that the paramedic is  
32 following a standing order, or if the paramedic maintains direct  
33 voice communication with and is taking orders from a licensed  
34 physician or physician directed registered professional nurse, both  
35 of whom are affiliated with a mobile intensive care hospital which  
36 is approved by the commissioner to provide advanced life support  
37 services. **【A telemetered electrocardiogram shall be monitored**  
38 **when deemed appropriate by the licensed physician or when**  
39 **required by written rules and regulations established by the mobile**  
40 **intensive care hospital and approved by the commissioner.】**

41 b. (1) A mobile intensive care paramedic may deliver advanced  
42 life support services, or any other services within the approved  
43 scope of practice for mobile intensive care paramedics, in a pre-  
44 hospital setting, in a mobile integrated health care setting, health  
45 care specialty setting, or any other hospital-controlled setting,  
46 through an approved mobile intensive care hospital, as determined  
47 by the commissioner and as authorized by the agency EMS medical  
48 director. A mobile intensive care paramedic shall be permitted to

1 provide advanced life support services when operating outside of a  
2 mobile intensive care unit in situations directly related to EMS first  
3 response or mobile integrated health as authorized by the mobile  
4 intensive care paramedic's agency EMS medical director. A single  
5 mobile intensive care paramedic shall not be acknowledged as a  
6 mobile intensive care unit.

7 (2) The authorized services provided under a mobile integrated  
8 health program shall be determined by the agency EMS medical  
9 director overseeing the program, and may include, but need not be  
10 limited to: providing paramedicine care, chronic disease  
11 management, preventive care, and post-discharge follow-up visits;  
12 or providing referrals and transportation assistance to appropriate  
13 care and services to patients requiring health care services who do  
14 not require hospital-based treatment.

15 c. Nothing in this section shall be construed to alter the scope  
16 of practice of any licensed health care professional under Title 45 of  
17 the Revised Statutes or the scope or authority of any agency, board,  
18 department, or other entity in this State that is responsible for  
19 licensing health care workers.

20 (cf: P.L.2021, c.480, s.2)

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22 5. Section 6 of P.L.1984, c.146 (C.26:2K-12) is amended to  
23 read as follows:

24 6. a. (1) Only a hospital exclusively authorized to develop and  
25 maintain advanced life support services in the municipality in which  
26 the trauma center is located pursuant to section 1 of P.L.2015, c.70  
27 (C.26:2K-12.1), or a hospital authorized by the commissioner with  
28 an accredited emergency [service] department may develop and  
29 maintain a mobile intensive care unit, and provide advanced life  
30 support services utilizing licensed physicians, registered  
31 professional nurses trained in advanced life support nursing, and  
32 mobile intensive care paramedics.

33 (2) A mobile intensive care unit, when in service, shall be staffed  
34 by a minimum of two persons, which two persons may be two mobile  
35 intensive care paramedics, two registered professional nurses trained  
36 in advanced life support nursing, one mobile intensive care paramedic  
37 and one registered professional nurse trained in advanced life support  
38 nursing, or one emergency medical technician and one mobile  
39 intensive care paramedic or registered professional nurse trained in  
40 advanced life support nursing. Any individual providing advanced life  
41 support as provided in this paragraph shall be authorized to render care  
42 within that individual's scope of practice based on the agency EMS  
43 medical director's determination of competency. In the case of a  
44 mobile intensive care unit staffed by one emergency medical  
45 technician and one mobile intensive care paramedic or registered  
46 professional nurse trained in advanced life support nursing treating a  
47 patient in need of advanced life support services, the mobile intensive  
48 care paramedic or registered professional nurse trained in advanced

1 life support nursing shall provide primary patient care. A mobile  
2 intensive care unit shall not be staffed by an emergency medical  
3 technician under this paragraph unless approved by the agency EMS  
4 medical director, based on the EMS medical director's determination  
5 of the competency of the mobile intensive care paramedic or registered  
6 professional nurse trained in advanced life support nursing and the  
7 emergency medical technician to work together to provide mobile  
8 intensive care services.

9 (3) Agency EMS medical directors shall have the authority to  
10 establish advanced life support protocols, within the scope of  
11 practice for advanced life support providers established by the  
12 commissioner, which protocols shall include, but shall not be  
13 limited to, protocols concerning medications, equipment,  
14 procedures, and clinical practice. Aspects of clinical practice that  
15 exceed the scope established by commissioner shall be submitted by  
16 an agency EMS medical director to the mobile intensive care  
17 advisory council for review and recommendation to the  
18 commissioner.

19 (4) A hospital with a mobile intensive care unit may authorize a  
20 board-certified or board-eligible emergency medicine physician,  
21 advanced practice nurse, or physician assistant, who has  
22 successfully completed an in-house practical competency-based  
23 EMS orientation and training guided by respective relevant  
24 professional standards and approved by the agency EMS medical  
25 director, and is employed by the hospital to deliver care within the  
26 approved scope of practice of the board certified or board eligible  
27 emergency medicine physician, advanced practice nurse, or  
28 physician assistant in a prehospital setting or an interfacility setting,  
29 as determined by the agency EMS medical director.

30 b. A hospital authorized by the commissioner pursuant to  
31 subsection a. of this section shall provide mobile intensive care unit  
32 services on a seven-day-a-week basis.

33 c. The commissioner shall establish, in writing, criteria which a  
34 hospital shall meet in order to qualify for the authorization.

35 d. The commissioner may withdraw his authorization if the  
36 hospital or unit violates any provision of this act or rules or  
37 regulations promulgated pursuant thereto.

38 e. Nothing in this section shall be construed to alter the scope  
39 of practice of any licensed health care professional under Title 45 of  
40 the Revised Statutes or the scope or authority of any agency, board,  
41 department, or other entity in this State that is responsible for  
42 licensing health care workers.

43 (cf: P.L.1985, c.351, s.2)

45 6. Section 7 of P.L.1984, c.146 (C.26:2K-13) is amended to  
46 read as follows:

47 7. a. No person may advertise or disseminate information to  
48 the public that the person provides advanced life support services

1 by a mobile intensive care unit unless the person is authorized to do  
2 so pursuant to section 6 of this act.

3 b. No person may impersonate or refer to himself or herself as  
4 a mobile intensive care paramedic unless he or she is **【certified】**  
5 licensed or approved therefor, as appropriate.

6 (cf: P.L.1984, c.146, s.7)

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8 7. Section 8 of P.L.1984, c.146 (C.26:2K-14) is amended to  
9 read as follows:

10 8. No emergency medical technician, mobile intensive care  
11 paramedic, licensed physician, hospital or its board of trustees,  
12 officers and members of the medical staff, **【nurses】** registered  
13 nurse, advanced practice nurse, physician assistant, or other  
14 employees of the hospital, first aid, **【ambulance】** emergency  
15 medical service or rescue squad, licensed emergency medical  
16 service agency, or officers and members of a first aid, emergency  
17 medical service or rescue squad shall be liable for any civil  
18 damages as the result of an act or the omission of an act committed  
19 while in training for or in the rendering of basic and advanced life  
20 support services in good faith and in accordance with this act.

21 (cf: P.L.1984, c.146, s.8)

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23 8. Section 10 of P.L.1984, c.146 (C.26:2K-16) is amended to  
24 read as follows:

25 10. a (1) The Commissioner of Health shall appoint a State  
26 Emergency Medical Services Medical Director to the Office of  
27 Emergency Medical Services. The State Emergency Medical  
28 Services Medical Director shall be a licensed physician in this State  
29 and board certified in emergency medicine with leadership  
30 experience in the medical oversight of emergency medical services,  
31 specifically in advanced life support, basic life support, critical care  
32 transport, and emergency medical services dispatching. In selecting  
33 the State Emergency Medical Services Medical Director, the  
34 Commissioner of Health shall give preference to a candidate who is  
35 board certified in emergency medical services. The State  
36 Emergency Medical Services Medical Director shall not be  
37 permitted to be employed as an agency EMS medical director while  
38 serving as State Emergency Medical Services Medical Director.

39 (2) The State Emergency Medical Services Medical Director  
40 shall be coequal with the Director of Emergency Medical Services.  
41 The State Emergency Medical Services Medical Director shall have  
42 primary responsibility for the oversight, regulation, and discipline  
43 related to clinical issues pertaining to the provision of emergency  
44 medical services in New Jersey, and the Director of Emergency  
45 Medical Services shall have primary responsibility for the oversight  
46 of non-clinical issues related to the provision of emergency medical  
47 services in New Jersey. The State Emergency Medical Services  
48 Medical Director shall additionally be responsible for aiding the

1 commissioner in promulgating rules and regulations establishing the  
2 scope of practice for providers of emergency medical services,  
3 including new standards for basic and advanced life support based  
4 on the National EMS Scope of Practice Model and the  
5 recommendations of the mobile intensive care advisory council.

6 b. The commissioner shall establish a State mobile intensive  
7 care advisory council, which shall: advise the department on all  
8 matters of **mobile intensive care services** advanced life support,  
9 the Emergency Medical Service Helicopter Response Program and  
10 emergency medical transportation; annually review advanced life  
11 support scope of practice; and provide recommendations directly to  
12 the commissioner for clinical updates. The council shall **select a**  
13 **chairman** annually to chair the meetings and coordinate the  
14 activities of the advisory council **be chaired by the State**  
15 **Emergency Medical Services Medical Director.** Within 60 days  
16 following the effective date of this act, the council shall create new  
17 by-laws, and select a vice-chair from among its members. In the  
18 event that the State Emergency Medical Services Medical Director  
19 position is vacant, the vice-chair shall act as chair of the council  
20 until the State Emergency Medical Services Medical Director  
21 position is no longer vacant. The **chairman** chair shall appoint  
22 subcommittees to review and recommend policy on subjects  
23 including, but not limited to, advanced life support training  
24 programs, advanced life support patient care equipment, biomedical  
25 and telecommunications equipment and procedures, treatment  
26 protocols, and helicopter equipment and procedures, as well as  
27 other medical matters.

28 (cf: P.L.1986, c.106, s.5)

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30 9. Section 11 of P.L.1984, c.146 (C.26:2K-17) is amended to  
31 read as follows:

32 11. The commissioner shall promulgate such rules and  
33 regulations in accordance with the "Administrative Procedure Act,"  
34 P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.) as **he** the commissioner  
35 deems necessary to effectuate the purposes of this act, and the  
36 **board of medical examiners** State Board of Medical Examiners  
37 and the **board of nursing** New Jersey Board of Nursing shall  
38 promulgate such rules and regulations as they deem necessary to  
39 carry out their functions under this act.

40 (cf: P.L.1984, c.146, s.11)

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42 10. This act shall take effect immediately.

#### 45 STATEMENT

46  
47 This bill makes various changes to the regulation of emergency  
48 medical services and establishes the position of State Emergency



1 Medical Services Medical Director in the Office of Emergency  
2 Medical Services in the Department of Health (DOH).

3 Under the bill, the Commissioner of Health (commissioner) is to  
4 appoint a State Emergency Medical Services Medical Director to  
5 the Office of Emergency Medical Services. The State Emergency  
6 Medical Services Medical Director is to be a licensed physician in  
7 this State and board certified in emergency medicine with  
8 leadership experience in the medical oversight of emergency  
9 medical services, specifically in advanced life support, basic life  
10 support, critical care transport, and emergency medical services  
11 dispatching. In selecting the State Emergency Medical Services  
12 Medical Director, the commissioner is to give preference to a  
13 candidate who is board certified in emergency medical services.  
14 The State Emergency Medical Services Medical Director is not to  
15 be permitted to be employed as an agency EMS medical director  
16 while serving as State Emergency Medical Services Medical  
17 Director. The State Emergency Medical Services Medical Director  
18 is to be coequal with the Director of Emergency Medical Services.  
19 The State Emergency Medical Services Medical Director is to have  
20 primary responsibility for the oversight, regulation, and discipline  
21 related to clinical issues pertaining to the provision of emergency  
22 medical services in New Jersey, and the Director of Emergency  
23 Medical Services is to have primary responsibility for the oversight  
24 of non-clinical issues related to the provision of emergency medical  
25 services in New Jersey. The State Emergency Medical Services  
26 Medical Director is to additionally be responsible for aiding the  
27 commissioner in promulgating rules and regulations establishing the  
28 scope of practice for providers of emergency medical services,  
29 including new standards for basic and advanced life support based  
30 on the National EMS Scope of Practice Model and the  
31 recommendations of the mobile intensive care advisory council.

32 The bill provides that the mobile intensive care advisory council,  
33 which is established under current law, is to: (1) advise the  
34 Department of Health on all matters of advanced life support, (2)  
35 directly provide recommendations to the commissioner for clinical  
36 updates; (3) annually review advanced life support scope of  
37 practice; (4) be chaired by the State Emergency Medical Services  
38 Medical Director; (5) establish new by-laws; and (6) select a vice-  
39 chair from among its members.

40 The bill makes various amendments and additions to statutory  
41 definitions within Section 1 of P.L.1984, c.146 (C.26:2K-7).

42 The bill amends section 2 of P.L.1984, c.146 (C.26:2K-8) to  
43 provide that a mobile intensive care paramedic is to obtain  
44 licensure, as opposed to certification, as is provided under current  
45 law, from the commissioner to provide advanced life support. In  
46 addition, the amendments remove a provision regarding the  
47 commissioner's certification of a candidate who provides  
48 satisfactory evidence of the successful completion of an educational

1 program approved by the commissioner for the training of mobile  
2 intensive care paramedics and who passes an examination in the  
3 provision of advance life support services. The amendments  
4 provide that the commissioner is to approve licensure for a  
5 candidate for a mobile intensive care paramedic who has equivalent  
6 military training or experience in any branch of the active duty or  
7 reserve component of the Armed Forces of the United States or the  
8 National Guard of any state if the commissioner determines that the  
9 candidate's military training and experience exceed or are  
10 equivalent to the licensure standards established by the National  
11 Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians. The commissioner is  
12 to approve the licensure of a candidate for a mobile intensive care  
13 paramedic who is registered as a paramedic with the National  
14 Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians.

15 The bill amends section 4 of P.L.1984, c.146 (C.26:2K-10) to  
16 remove a section that provides that a telemetered electrocardiogram  
17 is to be monitored when deemed appropriate by the licensed  
18 physician or when required by written rules and regulations  
19 established by the mobile intensive care hospital and approved by  
20 the commissioner. The amendments provide that a mobile intensive  
21 care paramedic may deliver advanced life support services, or any  
22 other services within the approved scope of practice for mobile  
23 intensive care paramedics, in a pre-hospital setting, in a mobile  
24 integrated health care setting, health care specialty setting, or any  
25 other hospital-controlled setting, through an approved mobile  
26 intensive care hospital, as determined by the commissioner and as  
27 authorized by the agency EMS medical director. A mobile  
28 intensive care paramedic is to be permitted to provide advanced life  
29 support services when operating outside of a mobile intensive care  
30 unit in situations directly related to EMS first response or mobile  
31 integrated health as authorized by the mobile intensive care  
32 paramedic's agency EMS medical director. A single mobile  
33 intensive care paramedic is not to be acknowledged as a mobile  
34 intensive care unit. The authorized services provided under a  
35 mobile integrated health program are to be determined by the  
36 agency EMS medical director overseeing the program, and may  
37 include, but need not be limited to: providing paramedicine care,  
38 chronic disease management, preventive care, and post-discharge  
39 follow-up visits; or providing referrals and transportation assistance  
40 to appropriate care and services to patients requiring health care  
41 services who do not require hospital-based treatment.

42 The bill amends section 6 of P.L.1984, c.146 (C.26:2K-12) to  
43 provide that a mobile intensive care unit, when in service, is to be  
44 staffed by a minimum of two persons, which two persons may be two  
45 mobile intensive care paramedics, two registered professional nurses  
46 trained in advanced life support nursing, one mobile intensive care  
47 paramedic and one registered professional nurse trained in advanced  
48 life support nursing, or one emergency medical technician and one

1 mobile intensive care paramedic or registered professional nurse  
2 trained in advanced life support nursing. Any individual providing  
3 advanced life support as provided in the bill is to be authorized to  
4 render care within that individual's scope of practice based on the  
5 agency EMS medical director's determination of competency. In the  
6 case of a mobile intensive care unit staffed by one emergency medical  
7 technician and one mobile intensive care paramedic or registered  
8 professional nurse trained in advanced life support nursing treating a  
9 patient in need of advanced life support services, the mobile intensive  
10 care paramedic or registered professional nurse trained in advanced  
11 life support nursing is to provide primary patient care. A mobile  
12 intensive care unit is not to be staffed by an emergency medical  
13 technician, as provided in the bill, unless approved by the agency EMS  
14 medical director, based on the EMS medical director's determination  
15 of the competency of the mobile intensive care paramedic or registered  
16 professional nurse trained in advanced life support nursing and the  
17 emergency medical technician to work together to provide mobile  
18 intensive care services. Agency EMS medical directors are to have  
19 the authority to establish advanced life support protocols, within the  
20 scope of practice for advanced life support providers established by  
21 the commissioner, which protocols are to include, but not be limited  
22 to, protocols concerning medications, equipment, procedures, and  
23 clinical practice. Aspects of clinical practice that exceed the scope  
24 established by commissioner are to be submitted by an agency EMS  
25 medical director to the mobile intensive care advisory council for  
26 review and recommendation to the commissioner. A hospital with a  
27 mobile intensive care unit may authorize a board-certified or board-  
28 eligible emergency medicine physician, advanced practice nurse, or  
29 physician assistant, who has successfully completed an in-house  
30 practical competency-based EMS orientation and training guided by  
31 respective relevant professional standards and approved by the  
32 agency EMS medical director, and is employed by the hospital to  
33 deliver care within the approved scope of practice of the board  
34 certified or board eligible emergency medicine physician, advanced  
35 practice nurse, or physician assistant in a prehospital setting or an  
36 interfacility setting, as determined by the agency EMS medical  
37 director.

38 The bill amends section 8 of P.L.1984, c.146 (C.26:2K-14) to  
39 provide that no emergency medical technician, registered nurse,  
40 advanced practice nurse, physician assistant, or other employees of  
41 the hospital, first aid, emergency medical service or rescue squad,  
42 licensed emergency medical service agency, or officers and  
43 members of a first aid, emergency medical service or rescue squad  
44 are to be liable for any civil damages as the result of an act or the  
45 omission of an act committed while in training for or in the  
46 rendering of basic and advanced life support services in good faith.

47 Finally, nothing in the bill is to be construed to alter the scope of  
48 practice of any licensed health care professional under Title 45 of

- 1 the Revised Statutes or the scope or authority of any agency, board,
- 2 department, or other entity in this State that is responsible for
- 3 licensing health care workers.