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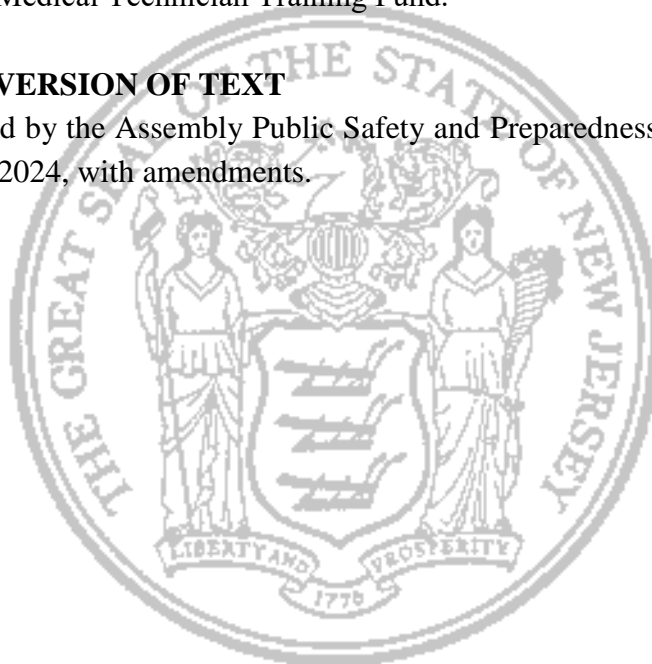
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SYNOPSIS

Revises certain requirements concerning eligibility for reimbursement from “Emergency Medical Technician Training Fund.”

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Public Safety and Preparedness Committee on February 22, 2024, with amendments.



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1 AN ACT concerning the “Emergency Medical Technician Training
2 Fund” and amending P.L.1992, c.143.

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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 4 of P.L.1992, c.143 (C.26:2K-57) is amended to
8 read as follows:

9 4. a. The commissioner, in accordance with recommendations
10 adopted by the council, and within the limits of those monies in the
11 fund, shall annually reimburse any private agency, organization, or
12 entity which is certified by the commissioner to provide training
13 and testing for **[volunteer]** ambulance, first aid and rescue squad
14 personnel who are seeking certification or recertification as a
15 volunteer emergency medical [technician-ambulance, or EMT-A, or
16 emergency medical technician-defibrillation, or EMT-D,
17 certification or recertification, or an entity which provides an
18 educational program in the administration of epinephrine auto-
19 injector devices that is approved by the commissioner pursuant to
20 P.L.2003, c.1 (C.26:2K-47.1 et al.), and] technician, for which
21 costs that agency, organization, or entity is not otherwise
22 reimbursed. An agency, organization, or entity that provides
23 training and testing to volunteer emergency medical technicians and
24 volunteer emergency medical technician candidates shall be eligible
25 for reimbursement from the fund regardless of whether the
26 ambulance, first aid and rescue squad employing or utilizing the
27 services of the volunteer emergency medical technician receives
28 any payment or reimbursement for providing emergency medical
29 services. ¹A hospital licensed pursuant to

30 P.L.1971, c.136 (C.26:2H-1 et seq.) shall be excluded from
31 reimbursement from the fund.¹ The priority for reimbursement from
32 the fund to an agency, organization, or entity for training and
33 testing of [volunteer] ambulance, first aid and rescue squad
34 personnel shall be in the following order: [EMT-A certification,
35 EMT-A recertification, EMT-D certification, EMT-D recertification
36 and certification to administer epinephrine auto-injector devices
37 pursuant to P.L.2003, c.1 (C.26:2K-47.1 et al.)] initial emergency
38 medical technician certification and emergency medical technician
39 refresher recertification classes.

40 b. All reimbursements from the fund shall be promptly paid
41 upon receipt of a qualifying application for reimbursement, which
42 payment shall be made to the agency, organization, or entity that
43 provided training to the volunteer emergency medical technician.

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.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Assembly APS committee amendments adopted February 22, 2024.

1 c. (1) The head of the ambulance, first aid and rescue squad
2 employing or utilizing the services of an emergency medical
3 technician, who received initial emergency medical technician
4 training from an agency, organization, or entity that received
5 reimbursement from the fund for providing the initial emergency
6 medical technician training to that emergency medical technician,
7 shall determine the emergency medical technician to be a volunteer
8 in good standing provided that the emergency medical technician
9 works at least one service call per month during the initial three-
10 year certification period as a volunteer emergency medical
11 technician.

12 (2) The head of the ambulance, first aid and rescue squad shall
13 seek reimbursement from the emergency medical technician, if the
14 emergency medical technician ceases to be a volunteer in good
15 standing, for monies paid out of the fund in connection with that
16 emergency medical technician's training, testing, certification, or
17 recertification, as appropriate, in connection with the initial three-
18 year certification period in which the emergency medical technician
19 ceased to be a volunteer in good standing. The Department of
20 Health shall exercise oversight authority over the collection of
21 funds pursuant to this paragraph.

22 d. As used in this section, "volunteer emergency medical
23 technician" means an emergency medical technician who provides
24 basic life support services without receiving compensation in the
25 form of an hourly wage, a salary, or any other form of financial
26 remuneration provided for or in connection with the provision of
27 basic life support services. ¹A volunteer emergency medical
28 technician shall not include an individual employed full-time by a
29 general or special hospital licensed pursuant to
30 P.L.1971, c.136 (C.26:2H-1 et seq.).¹

31 (cf: P.L.2003, c.1, s.9)

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33 2. The Commissioner of Health shall adopt rules and
34 regulations, pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act,"
35 P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), as shall be necessary to
36 implement the provisions of this act.

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38 3. This act shall take effect ¹**[180 days]** on the first day of the
39 seventh month¹ after the date of the enactment.