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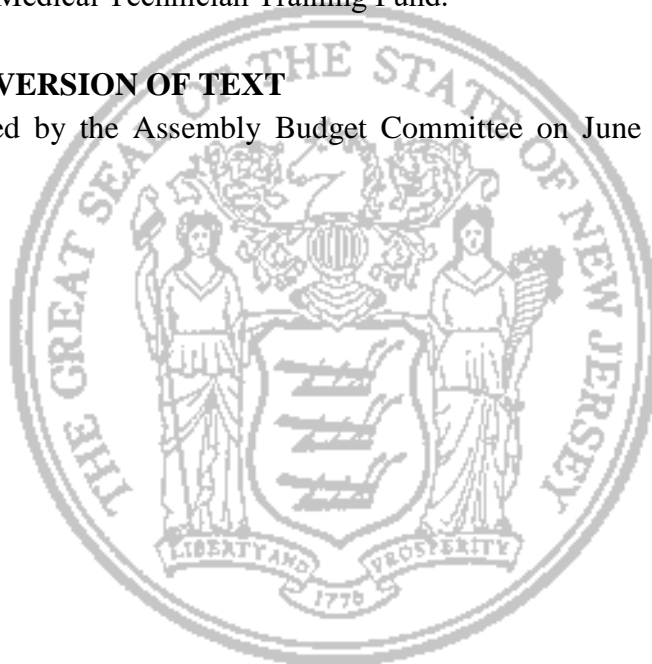
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SYNOPSIS

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

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Budget Committee on June 26, 2024, with
amendments.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 6/28/2024)

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,² 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. ²**[**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.¹² The priority for reimbursement
32 from the fund to an agency, organization,² 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.

²Assembly ABU committee amendments adopted June 26, 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. ²However, an
20 emergency medical technician who ceases to be a volunteer in good
21 standing in order to attend a public or private institution of higher
22 education shall not be responsible for reimbursing the fund.² The
23 Department of Health shall exercise oversight authority over the
24 collection of funds pursuant to this paragraph.

25 d. As used in this section ²["volunteer"] :

26 "Public or Private Institution of Higher Education" means: (1)
27 any public university or college; or (2) any private college
28 university or institute incorporated and located in New Jersey,
29 which by virtue of law or character or license is a nonprofit
30 educational institution authorized to grant academic degrees,
31 provides a level of education equivalent to the education provided
32 by the State's public institutions of higher education as attested by
33 the receipt of and continuation of regional accreditation by the
34 Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools, and is eligible
35 to receive State aid under the provisions of the Constitution of the
36 United States and the Constitution of the State of New Jersey.

37 "Volunteer² emergency medical technician" means an
38 emergency medical technician who provides basic life support
39 services without receiving compensation in the form of an hourly
40 wage, a salary, or any other form of financial remuneration
41 provided for or in connection with the provision of basic life
42 support services. ¹A volunteer emergency medical technician shall
43 not include an individual employed full-time by a general or special
44 hospital licensed pursuant to P.L.1971, c.136 (C.26:2H-1 et seq.)
45 ²as an emergency medical technician² .¹

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

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

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6 3. This act shall take effect ¹**【180 days】** on the first day of the
7 seventh month¹ after the date of the enactment.