

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 31 (SB 13)

2020 Second Extraordinary Session

Peacock

New law enacts the Recognition of Emergency Medical Services Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact (REPLICA). Allows Louisiana to join a multistate compact for EMS personnel to obtain multistate license privileges to practice in participating compact states, to decrease redundancies in the consideration and issuance of EMS licenses, and provide opportunity for interstate practice by EMS personnel who meet the uniform licensure requirements.

Provides that each participating state in the compact adopt similar requirements for criminal background checks, licensure, and education. Requires exchange of information regarding discipline and adverse actions by all participating states.

Requires EMS personnel leaving his home state to practice in a participating state to comply with the laws of the participating state. Provides for a home state license and process for changing home state and location of primary residence. Provides that the home state is responsible for taking adverse action against EMS personnel in violation of practice act requirements, including deactivation of multistate licensure privileges.

Establishes the Interstate Commission for EMS Personnel Practice and grants each participating state a single seat on the commission.

Establishes the requirement for criminal background checks as a condition of licensure for emergency medical services personnel.

Effective July 1, 2021.

(Adds R.S. 40:1133.1(E) and 1141)