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DIGEST

Present law provides for the Louisiana Emergency Response Network (LERN) and Bureau of Emergency Medical Services and proposed law consolidates their functions into the Louisiana Emergency Medical Services and Response Network (LEMSRN).

Present law provides for limitation of liability with LERN.

Proposed law provides for LEMS RN to be placed within Department of Health and Hospitals.

Proposed law provides for the Louisiana Emergency Medical Services Certified Commission within the LEMS RN.

Proposed law provides for definitions within present law for Emergency Medical Transportation.

Proposed law provides for the Louisiana Emergency Medical Services and Response Network.

Proposed law provides for definitions.

Proposed law provides for governing board, membership on the board, appointments to the board, compensation for members on the board, and vacancies on the board.

Proposed law provides for a 31 member board:

- (1) One cardiologist from nominees submitted by the Louisiana Chapter of the American College of Cardiology.
- (2) One member from nominees submitted by the Rural Hospital Coalition to represent hospitals with fewer than sixty beds.
- (3) One member from nominees submitted by the Metropolitan Hospital Council of New Orleans to represent hospitals with one hundred beds or more.
- (4) One member from nominees submitted by the Louisiana Hospital Association to represent a service district hospital.
- (5) Two members from nominees submitted by the Department of Health and Hospitals which shall include a member from the office of behavioral health.
- (6) One member from nominees submitted by the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness.

- (7) Two members from nominees submitted by the Louisiana State Medical Society which shall include a member specializing in pediatric surgery.
- (8) One member from nominees submitted by the Louisiana Chapter of the Committee on Trauma of the American College of Surgeons.
- (9) One member from nominees submitted by the Louisiana American College of Emergency Physicians.
- (10) One member from nominees submitted by the Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center at Shreveport.
- (11) One member from nominees submitted by the Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center at New Orleans.
- (12) One member from nominees submitted by Tulane University Health Sciences Center.
- (13) One member from nominees submitted by the Louisiana State Coroners Association.
- (14) Two members from the Louisiana House of Representatives.
- (15) Two members from the Louisiana Senate.
- (16) One 211 member of the Louisiana Alliance of Information and Referral Systems.
- (17) One member of the Louisiana Rural Ambulance Alliance.
- (18) One 911 member of the National Emergency Number Association.
- (19) One member of the Louisiana Hospital Association rehabilitation constituency group.
- (20) One member from nominees submitted by the Louisiana Chapter of the American Stroke Association.
- (21) One registered nurse practicing in emergency or critical care from nominees submitted by the Louisiana State Board of Nursing.
- (22) One optometrist from nominees submitted by the Optometry Association of Louisiana.
- (23) One member from nominees submitted by the Louisiana Fire Chiefs Association.
- (24) One member from nominees submitted by the Louisiana Association Of Nationally Registered Emergency Medical Technicians.
- (25) One member representing a public EMS service from nominees submitted by the

Louisiana Municipal Association.

(26) One member representing a private ambulance service from nominees submitted by the Louisiana Ambulance Alliance.

(27) The sitting chairman of the Louisiana EMS Commission, or his designee.

Proposed law provides for the board's functions, powers, and duties.

Proposed law provides for the board to submit an annual report to the Senate and House Committees on Health and Welfare.

Proposed law reauthorizes the Louisiana Emergency Response Network Fund.

Proposed law provides for LERN within the Louisiana Emergency Medical Services and Response Network.

Proposed law provides for emergency medical personnel training and licensure.

Proposed law provides the board the authority to set fees from a fee schedule.

Proposed law provides for the Louisiana Emergency Medical Services Certification Commission (commission).

Proposed law provides for membership on the commission, qualifications for membership, terms, vacancies, meetings of the commission, officers of the commission, compensation of members, and the domicile of the commission.

Proposed law provides for the powers and duties of the commission and exceptions to the oversight by the commission.

Proposed law provides for licensure, licensure requirements, and renewal of license for emergency medical services practitioners.

Proposed law provides for grounds of disciplinary proceedings by the commission, hearings of the commission, and appeals.

Proposed law provides for penalties, injunctive relief, and prosecution.

Proposed law provides for exception to oversight, civil immunity, and immunity from civil damages.

Proposed law provides for duties of emergency personnel.

Proposed law provides for hazardous substance transportation emergencies and payment for

emergency medical services.

Proposed law provides for automated external defibrillators (AED).

Proposed law provides for persons in possession of AEDs, training, testing, and notification requirements, and manufacturer responsibility.

Proposed law provides for limitation on liability.

Proposed law amends present law to exclude certain records from the public records requirement.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 9:2798.5, R.S. 36:258(B), 259(J) and (GG), and 919.4, R.S. 40:2173, and R.S. 44:4.1(B)(26); adds R.S.40:1236.8 and 3001-3044 and R.S. 44:4(48); repeals R.S. 40:1231-1234.1, 1236.11-1236.14, and 2841-2846)