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HOUSE BILL NO. 674

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HEALTH: Allows the use of a mode of transportation other than an ambulance for a nonemergency situation

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 40:1235(B)(1), relative to medical transportation services; to authorize the use  
3 of a mode of transportation other than an ambulance in a nonemergency situation;  
4 to require the mode of transportation to be capable of fitting and supporting a  
5 stretcher; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 40:1235(B)(1) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §1235. Qualifications to operate ambulances; equipment; penalty

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10 B.(1) Nothing in this Subpart shall be construed to prohibit the use of a mode  
11 of transportation other than an ambulance to transport an injured or ill individual in  
12 a nonemergency situation, provided the alternative mode of transportation is capable  
13 of fitting and supporting a stretcher and the conveyance may be made without  
14 endangering the individual's health.

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**DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Authorizes the use of a mode of transportation other than an ambulance in a nonemergency situation if the mode of transportation is capable of fitting and supporting a stretcher and the conveyance may be made without endangering the individual's health.

Present law provides for the regulation of emergency medical transportation including ambulances and other emergency medical response vehicles.

Proposed law retains present law and authorizes the use of a mode of transportation other than an ambulance to transport an injured or ill individual in a nonemergency situation, provided the alternative mode of transportation is capable of fitting and supporting a stretcher and the conveyance may be made without endangering the individual's health.

(Adds R.S. 40:1235(B)(1))