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HOUSE BILL 13-1063

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Senate Committees

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING THE ISSUANCE OF A CRITICAL CARE ENDORSEMENT TO
102 EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE PROVIDERS.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries>.)

The bill directs the executive director of the department of public health and environment (director) or, if the director is not a physician, the chief medical officer, to adopt rules establishing standards for a critical care endorsement for emergency medical service providers. The director or chief medical officer must adopt these rules by December 31, 2013.

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-3.5-206, **amend**
3 (4) (a) introductory portion, (4) (a) (III), and (4) (a) (IV); and **add** (4) (a)
4 (V) as follows:

5 **25-3.5-206. Emergency medical practice advisory council -**
6 **creation - powers and duties - emergency medical service provider**
7 **scope of practice rule.s** (4) (a) The ~~executive~~ director or, if the
8 ~~executive~~ director is not a physician, the chief medical officer shall adopt
9 rules in accordance with article 4 of title 24, C.R.S., concerning the scope
10 of practice of emergency medical service providers for prehospital care.
11 The rules must include the following:

12 (III) Criteria for requests to waive the scope of practice rules and
13 the conditions for such waivers; ~~and~~

14 (IV) Minimum standards for physicians to be emergency medical
15 services medical directors; AND

16 (V) (A) STANDARDS FOR THE ISSUANCE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
17 A CRITICAL CARE ENDORSEMENT FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE
18 PROVIDERS. AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE PROVIDER WITH A CRITICAL
19 CARE ENDORSEMENT IS AUTHORIZED TO PERFORM THE TASKS AND
20 PROCEDURES SPECIFIED BY RULE. THE ENDORSEMENT IS VALID AS LONG AS
21 THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE PROVIDER MAINTAINS CERTIFICATION
22 BY THE DEPARTMENT.

23 (B) THE DIRECTOR OR, IF THE DIRECTOR IS NOT A PHYSICIAN, THE
24 CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER, SHALL ADOPT RULES IMPLEMENTING THIS
25 SUBPARAGRAPH (V) BY DECEMBER 31, 2013.

1 **SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
2 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
3 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.