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A BILL

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To expand the registration and format of the Office of Unified Communications' medical information profile program, to implement a vehicle and home decal program that alerts emergency responders that the vehicle glove compartment or the home contains a copy of the resident's medical information profile, to require the Department of Motor Vehicles and the Office of Unified Communications to develop an emergency medical information profile request form by which the Office of Unified Communications can contact residents interested in the program.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the "Notice in Case of Emergency Amendment Act of 2016".

Sec. 2. The Fiscal Year 2005 Budget Support Act of 2004, effective December 7, 2004 (D.C. Law 15-205; D. C. Official Code § 1-327.51 *et seq.*), is amended as follows:

(a) A new section 3205a is added to read as follows:

"Sec. 3205a. Emergency Medical Information Profile Program.

"(a) The Office shall:

"(1) Establish an emergency medical information profile program that permits a resident to provide information to the Office about, at a minimum, any medical condition, medication, and allergies that the agencies may need in order to assist the resident in an emergency.

35 “(A) The emergency medical information profile program
36 shall be accessible to the Office by way of the resident’s registered phone number.

37 “(B) The resident may make the emergency medical
38 information profile accessible to the Office through means such as a Department of Motor
39 Vehicles-issued identification number, home address, social security number, or other means
40 pursuant to written standards developed by the Office.

41 “(C) The Office shall make available decals for a motor
42 vehicle or home, involved in a motor vehicle accident or emergency to serve as notice to an agency
43 member that the driver or passenger is a participant in the emergency medical information profile
44 program.

45 “(D) If a motor vehicle or home is involved in a motor
46 vehicle accident or emergency, and a decal is affixed to the vehicle or home, an agency member
47 at the scene of such accident or emergency is authorized to search the glove compartment of the
48 vehicle or designated area of the home, for an emergency medical information profile.

49 “(i) The agencies may use the information contained
50 in the emergency medical information profile for the following purposes:

51 “(I) To identify a participant in the
52 emergency medical information profile program;

53 “(II) To ascertain whether the participant has
54 a medical condition that may impede communications with the agencies;

55 “(III) To communicate with the participant's
56 emergency contacts about the location and general condition of the participant; and

57 “(IV) To consider the participant's current

58 medications and pre-existing medical conditions when emergency medical treatment is
59 administered for any injury the participant suffers.”.

60 (b) A new section 3205b is added to read as follows:

61 “Sec. 3205b. Emergency Medical Information Profile Program Registration.

62 “(a) No later than 180 days following the effective date of the this act, the Office
63 shall implement an emergency medical information profile system that includes an emergency
64 medical information profile application form that may be executed by either:

65 “(1) A paper or an electronic form developed by the Office; or

66 “(2) A form mailed to the resident provided by the Office in accordance
67 with subsection (b) of this section.

68 “(b) For each individual who submits an application request for an emergency
69 medical information profile to the Department of Motor Vehicles, the Office shall request, and the
70 Department of Motor Vehicles shall furnish, an electronic list of residents. ”

71 Sec. 3. Section 7 of the District of Columbia Amendment Act, 1925, approved March 3,
72 1925 (43 Stat. 1121; D.C. Code § 50-1401.01) is amended by adding a new subsection (a-2) to
73 read as follows:

74 “(a-2)(1) The Mayor and the Office of Unified Communications shall jointly develop an
75 emergency medical information profile application form by January 1, 2017, which shall allow an
76 applicant wishing to register in the emergency medical information profile program to do so.

77 “(2) Commencing not later than May 1, 2017, the Mayor shall provide each
78 qualified applicant who applies for the issuance, renewal, or correction of any type of driver's
79 permit or for an identification card an opportunity to provide contact information to the Office of

80 Unified Communications for the purpose of registering for the emergency medical information
81 profile program.

82 “(3) The Mayor shall forward all new registration requests to the Office of Unified
83 Communications within 10 days of receipt.

84 “(4) Applications received from the Mayor shall be considered received by the
85 Unified Communications as of the date the application was made.”.

86 Sec. 4. Fiscal impact statement.

87 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the fiscal impact
88 statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures Act of 1975, approved
89 October 16, 2006 (120 Stat. 2038; D.C. Official Code § 1-301.47a).

90 Sec. 5. Effective date.

91 This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the
92 Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of congressional review as
93 provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24,
94 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of
95 Columbia Register.