SENATE BILL 2337

By Walley

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55 and Title 68, relative to ground ambulance service providers.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-50-102(22)(F), is amended by deleting the subsection and substituting instead the following:

(F) FOR-HIRE ENDORSEMENT. This endorsement is required to permit a

licensee to operate a Class D vehicle as a chauffeur. This subdivision (22)(F) does not apply to ambulance personnel;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-140-306(a), is amended by adding the following at the end of the subsection:

Notwithstanding this subsection (a) or other law to the contrary, an individual who has reached eighteen (18) years of age, has a valid driver license, and has completed an emergency vehicle operations class is eligible for service as an ambulance driver or operator. The individual is not required to obtain any additional specialty endorsements. SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.