



State of Alaska Department of Health

Executive Order 125

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Executive Order (EO) 125

- Removes the Alaska Council on Emergency Medical Services (ACEMS) from Alaska Statute and transfers the responsibilities to the Department of Health
- Transferring the responsibilities does not change the original intent



Alaska Council on Emergency Medical Services

- ACEMS was formed in 1977 when EMS was still emerging as a new industry
- The composition of ACEMS members is a reflection of their early formative years



Why is EO 125 needed?

- Flexibility
 - EMS has changed in the last 47 years
- Representation
 - ACEMS is codified in statute –
Transitioning the composition to DOH will
allow other stakeholders a voice
- Partnership
 - Allow DOH to bring in subject matter
experts and partners
- Responsive
 - Advance the development of Alaska's
EMS system in a more agile approach



Questions?

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