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AN ACT

Relating to emergency medical services; and providing for an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

* Section 1. AS 18 is amended by adding a new chapter to read:

CHAPTER 8. EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES.

Sec. 18.08.010. ADMINISTRATION. The department is responsible for the development, implementation and maintenance of a statewide comprehensive emergency medical services system and, accordingly, shall

(1) coordinate public and private agencies engaged in the planning and delivery of emergency medical services to plan an emergency medical services system;

(2) assist public and private agencies to deliver emergency medical services through the award of grants in aid.

Sec. 18.08.020. ADVISORY COUNCIL ON EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES. There is established in the department an Advisory Council on Emergency Medical Services. The council shall

(1) advise the commissioner with regard to the planning and implementation of a statewide emergency medical services system;

(2) assist the Statewide Health Coordinating Council in performing its duties under AS 18.07.011 relating to emergency medical services.

Sec. 18.08.030. COMPOSITION. The council shall consist of 11 members appointed by the governor. Four of the members shall be consumers of emergency medical services, and one from each judicial district in the state.

Sec. 18.08.040. TERM OF OFFICE. (a) Members of the council shall be appointed for overlapping terms of four years.

(b) Of the 11 initial appointments to the council, two shall be appointed for one-year terms, three for two-year terms, three for three-year terms, and three for four-year terms. A consumer shall be appointed to each of these overlapping terms. Appointments made on the expiration of the initial appointments shall be made for four years.

(c) A vacancy occurring in the membership of the council shall be filled by appointment by the governor in the same manner as original appointments, and when a seat is vacated before expiration of a term, the vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired portion of the vacated term.

Sec. 18.08.050. COMPENSATION AND PER DIEM. Members of the council receive no salary, but are entitled to per diem, reimbursement for travel, and other expenses authorized by law for boards and commissions.

Sec. 18.08.060. MEETINGS. The council shall meet at the call of the chairman not less frequently than twice a year. A majority of members constitutes a quorum.

Sec. 18.08.070. SPECIAL COMMITTEES. The council may create special committees or task forces outside its membership and may appoint persons who are not members of the council to serve as advisors or consultants to any committee created to carry out the purposes of the council.

Sec. 18.08.080. REGULATIONS. The commissioner shall adopt regulations to carry out the purposes of this chapter, including regulations which delineate the form and specify the information required to be submitted in an application for grant assistance under sec. 10 of this chapter.

Sec. 18.08.090. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter,

(1) "commissioner" means the commissioner of health and social services;

(2) "consumer of emergency medical services" means a person who is not a provider of emergency medical services as defined in this section;

(3) "department" means the Department of Health and Social Services;

(4) "emergency medical services system" means a system which provides for the arrangement of personnel, facilities and equipment for the effective and coordinated delivery of health care services under emergency conditions, occurring either as a result of the patient's condition or of natural disasters or similar situations,

and which is administered by a statewide network which has the authority and resources to provide effective administration of the system;

(5) "provider of emergency medical services" means a person whose occupation or profession is, or has been, the delivery or administration of emergency medical services; a person who has a fiduciary position with, or has a fiduciary interest in, a health activity, facility or other health agency, or a legal or financial interest in the rendering of any component of emergency medical services;

(6) "Statewide Health Coordinating Council" means the council created under AS 18.07.011.

* Sec. 2. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.070(c).