

1 IN THE SENATE

BY SACKETT BY REQUEST

2 SENATE BILL NO. 289

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to emergency medical services; and
7 providing for an effective date."

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

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

10 CHAPTER 8. EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES.

11 Sec. 18.08.010. ADVISORY COUNCIL ON EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES.

12 There is established in the Department of Health and Social Services an
13 Advisory Council on Emergency Medical Services. The council shall

14 (1) act in an advisory capacity to the commissioner in matters
15 pertaining to the planning and implementation of a statewide emergency
16 medical services system; and

17 (2) act as a committee of the Statewide Health Coordinating
18 Council created under AS 18.07.011 in the area of emergency medical
19 services to assist the council in meeting its responsibilities under
20 federal and state law.

21 Sec. 18.08.020. STATEWIDE COMPREHENSIVE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES.

22 The department shall establish a statewide comprehensive emergency medi-
23 cal services system for the effective and coordinated delivery of health
24 care services under emergency conditions, whether the emergency arises
25 as a result of the patient's condition, as a result of a natural or
26 other disaster, or otherwise, administered by a statewide network with
27 the authority and resources to provide effective administration of the
28 system. The department shall

29 (1) coordinate the activities of public and private agencies

1 concerned with the planning and delivery of emergency medical services
2 in the state; and

3 (2) provide grants to public and private agencies concerned
4 with the planning and delivery of emergency medical services in the
5 state.

6 Sec. 18.08.030. COMPOSITION OF COUNCIL ON EMERGENCY MEDICAL SER-
7 VICES. The council shall consist of 11 members appointed by the gover-
8 nor. No more than seven members of the council may be persons whose
9 occupation or profession is or has been the delivery or administration
10 of emergency medical services, persons who have fiduciary obligations
11 to a health activity facility, or other health agency, or who have a
12 legal or financial interest in the delivery of any component of emergency
13 medical services.

14 Sec. 18.08.040. TERM OF OFFICE. Members of the council serve for
15 four-year terms except that of the initial appointees, the governor
16 shall appoint two members for one-year terms, three for two-year terms,
17 three for three-year terms, and three for four-year terms. A person
18 whose occupation or profession is not in any way related to the provi-
19 sion of medical services or emergency medical services shall be appointed
20 to each of the staggered terms. Vacancies shall be filled by the gover-
21 nor in the same manner as original appointments.

22 Sec. 18.08.050. SPECIAL COMMITTEES. The council may establish
23 special committees or task forces outside its membership and may recom-
24 mend persons who are not members of the council to serve as advisors or
25 consultants to any committee established to carry out the purposes of
26 the council.

27 Sec. 18.08.060. COMPENSATION AND PER DIEM. Members of the council
28 serve without compensation but are entitled to per diem and travel ex-
29 penses authorized by law for boards and commissions.

1 * Sec. 2. AS 18.05.040(a) is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:
2 (20) the development, implementation, and maintenance of a
3 statewide comprehensive emergency medical services system under the
4 provisions of ch. 8 of this title.

5 * Sec. 3. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.-
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