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2 emergency.

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4 \* **Section 1.** AS 18.08 is amended by adding a new section to read:

5 **Sec. 18.08.075. Authority of emergency medical technician.** (a) An  
6 emergency medical technician who responds to an emergency with an ambulance  
7 service or first responder service, who has in the technician's possession a current  
8 emergency medical technician identification card, and who provides emergency  
9 medical care or other emergency medical service, has the authority to

10 (1) control and direct activities at the accident site or emergency until  
11 the arrival of law enforcement personnel;

12 (2) order a person other than the owner to leave a building or place in  
13 the vicinity of the accident or other emergency for the purpose of protecting the person  
14 from injury;

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1                   (3) temporarily block a public highway, street, or private right-of-way  
2 while at the scene of an accident, illness, or emergency;

3                   (4) trespass upon property at or near the scene of an accident, illness,  
4 or emergency at any time of day or night;

5                   (5) enter a building, including a private dwelling, or premises where  
6 a report of an injury or illness has taken place or where there is a reasonable cause to  
7 believe an individual has been injured or is ill to render emergency medical care; and

8                   (6) direct the removal or destruction of a motor vehicle or other thing  
9 that the emergency medical technician determines is necessary to prevent further harm  
10 to injured or ill individuals.

11                  (b) A person who knowingly refuses to comply with an order of an emergency  
12 medical technician authorized under (a) of this section is, upon conviction, guilty of  
13 a class B misdemeanor. In this subsection, "knowingly" has the meaning given in  
14 AS 11.81.900(a).