

---

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Mary Dozier O'Brien.

---

DIGEST

SB 210 Original

2019 Regular Session

Boudreaux

Present law provides for definitions of terms used in the Chapter and includes fees to be charged for tests required of those to be licensed as various emergency medical personnel.

Proposed law defines "EMS professional", "inactive" status for emergency medical services practitioners, and condenses the required exams and fees to 10 exams and their attendant fees.

Present law provides relative to the Louisiana Emergency Medical Services Certification Commission and requires two licensed EMTs as members of the commission with a total commission membership of eleven.

Proposed law representation of emergency medical practitioners on the commission is increased to five and all are to be affiliated with an approved EMS education program and the total commission membership increases to fourteen.

Present law states that the commission is to have one voting member appointed by the governor who is to be a registered nurse and a licensed paramedic and includes nonvoting members as well.

Proposed law removes the governor as the appointing authority for a commission member who is both a registered nurse and a state licensed paramedic and the nonvoting members are eliminated.

Present law provides wide-ranging authority regarding the powers of the commission in the areas of licensing/certification of EMS practitioners.

Proposed law states particular areas of responsibility for the commission, stating that it can approve a scope of practice for EMS practitioners within limits set out in R.S. 40:1133.14(A).

Proposed law grants explicit authority to the commission regarding the obtaining of state and national criminal history records, including requests for expunged records, while maintaining the confidentiality of those records as much as possible.

Proposed law contains explicit language for the commission to regulate student EMS practitioners during clinical training, allows the commission to request a physical or mental examination for applicants, and sets forth a general provision to maintain the confidentiality of all sensitive records obtained.

Effective August 1, 2019.

(Amends R.S. 40:1131(6), 1133.2(B)(1), 1133.3(B)(1)(b), (2) and (D), 1133.14(A)(2) and (C), and R.S. 44:4.1(B)(26); adds R.S. 40:1131(24)-(26), 1133.4(A)(9) and (10), 1133.4.1 and R.S. 44:4(57))