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## DIGEST

SB 13 Engrossed

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Peacock

<u>Proposed law</u> enacts the Recognition of Emergency Medical Services Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact (REPLICA). <u>Proposed law</u> allows Louisiana to join a multistate compact for EMS personnel to obtain multistate license privileges to practice in participating compact states, to decrease redundancies in the consideration and issuance of EMS licenses, and provide opportunity for interstate practice by EMS personnel who meet the uniform licensure requirements.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that each participating state in the compact adopt similar requirements for criminal background checks, licensure, and education. <u>Proposed law</u> requires exchange of information regarding discipline and adverse actions by all participating states.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires EMS personnel leaving his home state to practice in a participating state to comply with the laws of the participating state. <u>Proposed law</u> provides for a home state license and process for changing home state and location of primary residence. <u>Proposed law</u> provides that the home state is responsible for taking adverse action against EMS personnel in violation of practice act requirements, including deactivation of multistate licensure privileges.

<u>Proposed law</u> establishes the Interstate Commission for EMS Personnel Practice and grants each participating state a single seat on the commission.

<u>Proposed law</u> establishes the requirement for criminal background checks as a condition of licensure for emergency medical services personnel.

Effective July 1, 2021.

(Adds R.S. 40:1133.1(E) and 1141)

## Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

## <u>Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to the original bill</u>

- 1. Clarifies that the La. Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information shall charge a fee for criminal background checks in accordance with <u>present law</u> authorization.
- 2. Adds gross negligence as an exception to the limitation of liability.