
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY
PREPAREDNESS, NOVEMBER 23, 2021

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in emergency medical services system,
3 further providing for basic life support ambulances.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 8133(b)(1) of Title 35 of the
7 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended and subsection (b)
8 is amended by adding a paragraph to read:

9 § 8133. Basic life support ambulances.

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11 (b) Staffing requirements.--

12 (1) Except as provided under paragraph (2) or (5),
13 minimum staffing for a BLS ambulance when responding to a
14 call to provide EMS is an ambulance attendant, EMR or EMT, a
15 second EMS provider at or above the EMT level and an EMS
16 vehicle operator, except that only the two EMS providers need
17 to respond if one of them is also the EMS vehicle operator.

1 When present, an EMS provider above the EMR level must attend
2 to the patient at the scene and during patient
3 transportation.

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5 (5) The minimum staffing requirements for a BLS
6 ambulance in a county of the fifth, sixth, seventh or eighth
7 class when responding to a call to provide EMS is an EMS
8 vehicle operator and an EMS provider at or above the level of
9 an EMT. When present, an EMS provider at or above the level
10 of an EMT shall attend to the patient at the scene and during
11 patient transportation.

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13 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.