

HOUSE BILL No. 5472

November 28, 2007, Introduced by Reps. Caswell, LaJoy and Stahl and referred to the Committee on Health Policy.

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled
"Public health code,"
by amending section 20950 (MCL 333.20950), as amended by 2006 PA
568.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 20950. (1) An individual shall not practice or advertise
2 to practice as a medical first responder, emergency medical
3 technician, emergency medical technician specialist, paramedic, or
4 emergency medical services instructor-coordinator unless licensed
5 to do so by the department.

6 (2) The department shall issue a license under this section
7 only to an individual who meets all of the following requirements:

1 (a) Is 18 years of age or older.

2 (b) Has successfully completed the appropriate education
3 program approved under section 20912.

4 (c) Subject to subsection (3), has attained a passing score on
5 the appropriate department prescribed examination, as follows:

6 (i) A medical first responder shall pass the written
7 examination proctored by the department or the department's
8 designee and a practical examination approved by the department.
9 The practical examination shall be administered by the instructors
10 of the medical first responder course. The department or the
11 department's designee may also proctor the practical examination.

12 (ii) An emergency medical technician, emergency medical
13 technician specialist, and a paramedic shall pass the written
14 examination proctored by the department or the department's
15 designee and a practical examination proctored by the department or
16 ~~the department's~~ **AN IMPARTIAL** designee **OF THE DEPARTMENT THAT IS**
17 **NOT ASSOCIATED WITH THE EXAM CANDIDATE'S EDUCATION PROGRAM.**

18 (iii) The fee for the written examinations required under
19 subparagraphs (i) and (ii) shall be paid directly to the national
20 registry of emergency medical technicians or other organization
21 approved by the department.

22 (d) Meets other requirements of this part.

23 (3) The department shall require for purposes of compliance
24 with subsection (2)(c) successful passage by each first-time
25 applicant of an examination. ~~as that term is defined in section~~
26 ~~20904(10).~~

27 (4) The department shall issue a license as an emergency

1 medical services instructor-coordinator only to an individual who
2 meets the requirements of subsection (2) for an emergency medical
3 services instructor-coordinator and at the time of application is
4 currently licensed as a medical first responder, emergency medical
5 technician, emergency medical technician specialist, or paramedic
6 and has at least 3 years' field experience with a licensed life
7 support agency as a medical first responder, emergency medical
8 technician, emergency medical technician specialist, or paramedic.
9 The department shall provide for the development and administration
10 of an examination for emergency medical services instructor-
11 coordinators. The license shall specify the level of instruction-
12 coordination the individual is licensed to provide. An emergency
13 medical services instructor-coordinator shall not instruct or
14 coordinate emergency medical training courses at a level that
15 exceeds his or her designated level of licensure and for which he
16 or she does not have at least 3 years' field experience at that
17 level of licensure.

18 (5) Except as provided by section 20952, a license under this
19 section is effective for 3 years from the date of issuance unless
20 revoked or suspended by the department.

21 (6) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (7), an
22 applicant for licensure under this section shall pay the following
23 triennial licensure fees:

24 (a) Medical first responder - no fee.

25 (b) Emergency medical technician - \$40.00.

26 (c) Emergency medical technician specialist - \$60.00.

27 (d) Paramedic - \$80.00.

1 (e) Emergency medical services instructor-coordinator -
2 \$100.00.

3 (7) If a life support agency certifies to the department that
4 an applicant for licensure under this section will act as a
5 volunteer and if the life support agency does not charge for its
6 services, the department shall not require the applicant to pay the
7 fee required under subsection (6). If the applicant ceases to meet
8 the definition of a volunteer under this part at any time during
9 the effective period of his or her license and is employed as a
10 licensee under this part, the applicant shall at that time pay the
11 fee required under subsection (6).