

HOUSE BILL No. 4605

April 23, 2013, Introduced by Reps. Haines, Kowall, O'Brien, Glardon, McCready, Crawford, Victory, Muxlow, Yonker, Kesto, Tlaib, Hobbs, Foster and Haugh and referred to the Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs.

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:

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

9 **(B) MEETS EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:**

10 (i) ~~(b)~~ Has successfully completed the appropriate education

1 program approved under section 20912.

2 (ii) WHILE ON ACTIVE DUTY AS A MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES,
3 SERVED AS A MILITARY HEALTH CARE SPECIALIST AND WAS HONORABLY
4 DISCHARGED FROM THAT MILITARY SERVICE IN THE 2-YEAR PERIOD
5 PRECEDING THE DATE THE LICENSE APPLICATION IS FILED. THIS
6 SUBPARAGRAPH ONLY APPLIES TO AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS APPLYING FOR A
7 LICENSE AS AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN. AS USED IN THIS
8 SUBPARAGRAPH, "ARMED FORCES" MEANS THAT TERM AS DEFINED IN SECTION
9 2 OF THE VETERAN RIGHT TO EMPLOYMENT SERVICES ACT, 1994 PA 39, MCL
10 35.1092.

11 (c) Subject to subsection (3), has attained a passing score on
12 the appropriate department prescribed examination **AND HAS PAID THE**
13 **FEE**, as follows:

14 (i) A medical first responder ~~shall~~**MUST** pass the written
15 examination proctored by the department or the department's
16 designee and a practical examination approved by the department.
17 The practical examination shall be administered by the instructors
18 of the medical first responder course. The department or the
19 department's designee may also proctor the practical examination.

20 (ii) An emergency medical technician, emergency medical
21 technician specialist, ~~and a~~**OR** paramedic ~~shall~~**MUST** pass the
22 written examination proctored by the department or the department's
23 designee and a practical examination proctored by the department or
24 the department's designee.

25 (iii) The fee for the written examinations required under
26 subparagraphs (i) and (ii) shall be paid directly to the national
27 registry of emergency medical technicians or other organization

1 approved by the department.

2 (d) ~~Meets other~~ **OTHER** requirements of this part.

3 (3) The department shall require for purposes of compliance
4 with subsection (2)(c) successful passage by each first-time
5 applicant of an examination. ~~as that term is defined in section~~
6 ~~20904(10).~~

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

25 (5) Except as **OTHERWISE** provided ~~by~~ **IN** section 20952, a
26 license under this section is effective for 3 years from the date
27 of issuance unless revoked or suspended by the department.

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

4 (a) Medical first responder - no fee.

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

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

7 (d) Paramedic - \$80.00.

8 (e) Emergency medical services instructor-coordinator -
9 \$100.00.

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