

## SENATE BILL No. 569

By Committee on Public Health and Welfare

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AN ACT concerning emergency medical technicians; relating to the administration of epinephrine; amending K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 65-6121 and repealing the existing section.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

Section 1. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 65-6121 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-6121. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, an emergency medical technician may perform any of the following activities:

- (a) Patient assessment and vital signs;
- (b) airway maintenance including the use of:
  - (1) Oropharyngeal and nasopharyngeal airways;
  - (2) esophageal obturator airways with or without gastric suction device;
  - (3) multi-lumen airway; and
  - (4) oxygen demand valves.
- (c) Oxygen therapy;
- (d) oropharyngeal suctioning;
- (e) cardiopulmonary resuscitation procedures;
- (f) control accessible bleeding;
- (g) apply pneumatic anti-shock garment;
- (h) manage outpatient medical emergencies;
- (i) extricate patients and utilize lifting and moving techniques;
- (j) manage musculoskeletal and soft tissue injuries including dressing and bandaging wounds or the splinting of fractures, dislocations, sprains or strains;
- (k) use of backboards to immobilize the spine;
- (l) administer syrup of ipecac, activated charcoal ~~and~~, glucose *and epinephrine*;
- (m) monitor peripheral intravenous line delivering intravenous fluids during interfacility transport with the following restrictions:
  - (1) The physician approves the transfer by an emergency medical technician;
  - (2) no medications or nutrients have been added to the intravenous fluids; and

1 (3) the emergency medical technician may monitor, maintain and  
2 shut off the flow of intravenous fluid;

3 (n) use automated external defibrillators;

4 (o) perform, during nonemergency transportation, those activities  
5 specified in this section when specifically authorized to perform such  
6 activities by medical protocols; or

7 (p) when authorized by medical protocol, assist the patient in the  
8 administration of the following medications which have been prescribed  
9 for that patient: ~~Auto-injection epinephrine~~, Sublingual nitroglycerin and  
10 inhalers for asthma and emphysema.

11 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 65-6121 is hereby repealed.

12 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
13 publication in the statute book.

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