

HOUSE BILL No. 2832

By Committee on Appropriations

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9 AN ACT concerning emergency medical services; relating to attendant
10 certification; amending K.S.A. 65-6129 and repealing the existing
11 section.
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13 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

14 Section 1. K.S.A. 65-6129 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-
15 6129. (a) Application for an attendant's certificate shall be made to the
16 board upon forms provided by the administrator. The board may grant
17 an attendant's certificate if the applicant meets the following
18 requirements:

19 (1) (A) Has made application within ~~one year~~ *two years* from the date
20 of the last class of a course of instruction approved by the board for the
21 classification of attendant's certificate for which application has been
22 made; and

23 (B) has completed successfully such course of instruction, passed an
24 examination prescribed by the board and paid a fee prescribed by the
25 board; or

26 (2) has completed successfully a course of instruction or training ac-
27 credited by the commission on accreditation of allied health education
28 programs, a program of instruction or training offered by the armed forces
29 of the United States or a program of instruction completed in another
30 state that is equivalent to a program approved by the board for the class
31 of attendant's certificate applied for, passed an examination prescribed
32 by the board and paid a fee prescribed by the board.

33 (b) The board shall not grant an initial emergency medical technician-
34 intermediate certificate; *or* an initial emergency medical technician-de-
35 fibrillator certificate ~~or an initial mobile intensive care technician certifi-~~
36 ~~cate~~ unless the applicant for such an initial certificate is certified as an
37 emergency medical technician.

38 (c) ~~On and after January 1, 2001,~~ An attendant's certificate shall ex-
39 pire on the date prescribed by the board. An attendant's certificate may
40 be renewed for a period of two years upon payment of a fee as prescribed
41 by rule and regulation of the board and upon presentation of satisfactory
42 proof that the attendant has successfully completed continuing education
43 as prescribed by the board. The board may prorate to the nearest whole

1 month the fee fixed under this subsection as necessary to implement the
2 provisions of this subsection.

3 ~~(d) (1) The emergency medical services board may issue a temporary~~
4 ~~certificate to any person who has not qualified for an attendant's certifi-~~
5 ~~cate under paragraph (1) or (2) of subsection (a) when:~~

6 ~~— (A) The operator for whom such person serves as an attendant re-~~
7 ~~quests a temporary certificate for that person; and~~

8 ~~— (B) such person meets or exceeds certain minimum requirements~~
9 ~~prescribed by the board by rules and regulations.~~

10 ~~— (2) A temporary certificate shall be effective for one year from the~~
11 ~~date of its issuance or until the person has qualified as an attendant under~~
12 ~~paragraph (1) or (2) of subsection (a), whichever comes first. A temporary~~
13 ~~certificate shall not be renewed and shall be valid only while an attendant~~
14 ~~works for the operator requesting the temporary certificate. A person~~
15 ~~holding a temporary certificate as an emergency medical technician shall~~
16 ~~not be eligible to apply for certification as an emergency medical tech-~~
17 ~~nician-intermediate, emergency medical technician-defibrillator or a mo-~~
18 ~~bile intensive care technician.~~

19 *(d) (1) The board may issue one temporary certificate to a person*
20 *who:*

21 *(A) Does not meet the requirement in section (a)(2) of completion of*
22 *a program of instruction in another state that is equivalent to a program*
23 *approved by the board for the class of attendant's certificate applied for;*

24 *(B) currently is registered by the national registry of emergency med-*
25 *ical technicians or currently is certified or licensed in another jurisdiction*
26 *at the level of certification for which application has been made; and*

27 *(C) pays to the board a temporary certificate fee not to exceed the*
28 *amount of the application fee for the classification of attendant's certificate*
29 *for which application has been made.*

30 *(2) A temporary certificate shall expire at such time as final action on*
31 *the application for attendant certification or two years from the date of*
32 *issuance of the temporary certificate, whichever occurs first.*

33 *(e) (1) Upon request by an operator to the board and upon approval*
34 *by the board of such request, an applicant for certification may perform*
35 *activities that are within the authorized activities of the certification level*
36 *applied for, provided that the applicant:*

37 *(A) Has completed successfully completed the appropriate course of*
38 *instruction for the level applied for a course of instruction approved by*
39 *the board for the classification of attendant's certificate for which appli-*
40 *cation has been made;*

41 *(B) serves with the ambulance service identified in this subsection*
42 *(e); and*

43 *(C) is practicing under the direct supervision of a physician, physician*

1 assistant, professional nurse or an attendant who is at or above the cer-
2 tification level for which the applicant has applied.

3 (2) The authority to perform activities under this subsection (e) shall
4 terminate 120 days from the date of the last class or until the results of
5 the first examination are received by the board, whichever comes first.
6 Such authority to practice shall not be renewed and shall be valid only
7 while the applicant serves with the ambulance service identified in this
8 subsection (e).

9 (f) All fees received pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be
10 remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A.
11 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance,
12 the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury
13 to the credit of the state general fund.

14 (g) If a person who was previously certified as an attendant applies
15 for an attendant's certificate within two years of the date of the certifi-
16 cate's expiration, the board may grant a certificate without the person
17 completing a course of instruction or passing an examination if the person
18 has completed continuing education requirements and has paid a fee
19 prescribed by rules and regulations.

20 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 65-6129 is hereby repealed.

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