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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2011–12 REGULAR SESSION

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1245**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Williams**

February 18, 2011

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An act to add Section 1797.119 to the Health and Safety Code, relating to emergency medical services.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1245, as amended, Williams. Emergency medical services.

Existing law establishes the Emergency Medical Services System and the Prehospital Emergency Medical Care Personnel Act, which governs local emergency medical service systems. The act establishes the Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA), which is responsible for the coordination and integration of all state agencies concerning emergency medical services.

Existing law requires all ocean, public beach, and public swimming pool lifeguards and all firefighters in this state, except those whose duties are primarily clerical or administrative, to be trained to administer first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation. This training is required to meet standards prescribed by the EMSA.

This bill would authorize the EMSA to adopt regulations for the state approval of standards for an emergency medical responder course, as provided. *The bill would provide that it would not be construed to prohibit the Department of the California Highway Patrol, Cal-Fire, or any other public safety agency that provides training to its law*

*enforcement or firefighting personnel, from administering training programs pursuant to specified laws and regulations.*

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 1797.119 is added to the Health and  
2 Safety Code, to read:  
3 1797.119. (a) The authority may adopt regulations for the state  
4 approval of standards for an emergency medical responder (EMR)  
5 training course that meets or exceeds the United States Department  
6 of Transportation’s Emergency Medical Responder: Instructional  
7 Guidelines. This section does not authorize an EMR independent  
8 scope of practice, license, or certification, nor does it authorize a  
9 new category of emergency medical services personnel.  
10 (b) *This section shall not be construed to prohibit the*  
11 *Department of the California Highway Patrol, Cal-Fire, or any*  
12 *other public safety agency that provides training to its law*  
13 *enforcement or firefighting personnel, from administering training*  
14 *programs developed and delivered pursuant to Section 1797.182*  
15 *or 1797.183, and Sections 100015, 100018, and 100020 of Title*  
16 *22 of the California Code of Regulations, as those regulations*  
17 *read on January 1, 2011.*

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