

**SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 5115**

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled
"Public health code,"
by amending section 20950 (MCL 333.20950), as amended by 2021 PA
25.

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 **the**
5 **individual is** licensed by the department under this section.

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~~ **Meets 1 of the following requirements:**



1 (i) If applying for a medical first responder license, is 16
2 years of age or older. If at the time of the application, the
3 individual described in this subparagraph is 16 years of age and
4 less than 18 years of age, the application must be signed by the
5 individual's parent or guardian.

6 (ii) If applying for an emergency medical technician license,
7 is 17 years of age or older. If at the time of the application, the
8 individual described in this subparagraph is 17 years of age and
9 less than 18 years of age, the application must be signed by the
10 individual's parent or guardian.

11 (iii) If applying for an emergency medical technician
12 specialist, paramedic, or emergency medical services instructor-
13 coordinator license, is 18 years of age or older.

14 (b) Meets either of the following requirements:

15 (i) Has successfully completed the appropriate education
16 program approved under section 20912.

17 (ii) While serving as a member of the armed forces, served as a
18 military health care specialist and was separated from service with
19 an honorable character of service or under an honorable conditions
20 (general) character of service in the 2-year period preceding the
21 date the license application is filed. The applicant shall provide
22 a form DD214, **form** DD215, or any other form that is satisfactory to
23 the department to meet the criteria established in this
24 subparagraph. This subparagraph only applies to an applicant for a
25 license as an emergency medical technician.

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

28 (i) A medical first responder must pass the written examination
29 proctored by the department or the department's designee and a



1 practical examination approved by the department. The instructors
 2 of the medical first responder course shall administer the
 3 practical examination. The department or the department's designee
 4 may also proctor the practical examination. The individual shall
 5 pay the fee for the written examination required under this
 6 subparagraph directly to the National Registry of Emergency Medical
 7 Technicians or other organization approved by the department.

8 (ii) An emergency medical technician, emergency medical
 9 technician specialist, or paramedic must pass the written
 10 examination proctored by the department or the department's
 11 designee and a practical examination proctored by the department or
 12 the department's designee. The individual shall pay the fee for the
 13 written examination required under this subparagraph directly to
 14 the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians or other
 15 organization approved by the department.

16 (d) Meets other requirements of this part.

17 (3) The department shall require for purposes of compliance
 18 with subsection (2) (c) successful passage by each first-time
 19 applicant of an examination.

20 (4) The department shall issue a license as an emergency
 21 medical services instructor-coordinator only to an individual who
 22 meets the requirements of subsection (2) for an emergency medical
 23 services instructor-coordinator and at the time of application is
 24 currently licensed as a medical first responder, emergency medical
 25 technician, emergency medical technician specialist, or paramedic
 26 and has at least 3 years' field experience with a licensed life
 27 support agency as a medical first responder, emergency medical
 28 technician, emergency medical technician specialist, or paramedic.
 29 The department shall provide for the development and administration



1 of an examination for emergency medical services instructor-
2 coordinators. The license must specify the level of instruction-
3 coordination the individual is licensed to provide. An emergency
4 medical services instructor-coordinator shall not instruct or
5 coordinate emergency medical training courses at a level that
6 exceeds his or her designated level of licensure and for which he
7 or she does not have at least 3 years' field experience at that
8 level of licensure.

9 (5) Except as otherwise provided in section 20952, a license
10 under this section is effective for 3 years from the date of
11 issuance unless revoked or suspended by the department.

12 (6) Except as otherwise provided in this section, an applicant
13 for licensure under this section shall pay the following triennial
14 licensure fees:

15 (a) Medical first responder - no fee.

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

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

18 (d) Paramedic - \$80.00.

19 (e) Emergency medical services instructor-coordinator -
20 \$100.00.

21 (7) If a life support agency certifies to the department that
22 an applicant for licensure under this section will act as a
23 volunteer and if the life support agency does not charge for its
24 services, the department shall not require the applicant to pay the
25 fee required under subsection (6). If the applicant ceases to meet
26 the definition of a volunteer under this part at any time during
27 the effective period of his or her license and is employed as a
28 licensee under this part, the applicant shall at that time pay the
29 fee required under subsection (6).



1 (8) The department shall waive the fee required under
2 subsection (6) for the initial license if the applicant for initial
3 licensure was separated from service with an honorable character of
4 service or under honorable conditions (general) character of
5 service in the armed forces. The applicant shall provide a form
6 DD214, **form** DD215, or any other form that is satisfactory to the
7 department to be eligible for the waiver of the fee under this
8 subsection.

9 (9) As used in this section, "armed forces" means that term as
10 defined in section 16103.

