

**HOUSE AMENDMENT 1 TO sb534.**

adding the following language on line 27 of page 1, between the first comma (,) and the word "as":

"and non-emergency ambulance services,"

AND

by adding the following language on line 34 of page 1, between the first comma (,) and the word "ambulances":

"non-emergency ambulance services,"

AND

by adding the following language on line 36 of page 1, between the word "services" and the word "and":

", non-emergency ambulance services,"

AND

by adding the following language on line 9 of page 2, between the word "services" and the word "to":

"and non-emergency ambulance services"

AND

by deleting lines 14 through 22 on page 2 and substituting the following:

"(5) To regulate all intracity, intracounty, and intercity patient transports ~~and intercity and intracounty~~ including patient transports to a city in an adjoining state originating from within the regulating city and the service area as extended by interlocal agreement, including any agreement by the regulating city with a city in an adjoining state. However, this chapter shall not restrict or allow local regulation of not-for-hire on a fee-for-service basis transportation, of any intercounty patient transports, or intercity patient transports to or from medical facilities within the regulating city ~~originating~~ if such intercounty or intercity transports originate from anywhere outside the regulating city, unless the governing bodies of the counties and municipalities request and authorize such regulation under §§ 14-14-101, 14-14-103, 14-14-110, or §§ 25-20-101 - 25-20-108, or comparable laws of other states. The term intercity patient transports as used in this subsection includes, but is not limited to, patient transports from within the regulating city to a city in an adjoining state."

AND

adding the following new section on line 17 of page 3:

"SECTION 5. EMERGENCY. It is found and determined by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that natural and man-made disasters cross city and county boundaries and that there is an urgent need to clarify the existing authority of cities of the first class and cities of the second class to establish, own, operate, regulate, control, manage, permit, franchise, license, and contract with, exclusively or otherwise, emergency

medical services and non-emergency ambulance services in order to maintain and support sufficient ambulances and personnel to respond to community needs in the event of a natural or man-made disaster, and that the amendment of the municipal ambulance licensing act will serve and accomplish this purpose. This act is also intended to clarify the existing authority of cities and counties to enter into interlocal agreements to provide such ambulance services in a comprehensive and flexible fashion. Therefore an emergency is declared to exist and this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall become effective on the date of its approval by the Governor. If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, it shall become effective on the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill. If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, it shall become effective on the date the last house overrides the veto."