

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 319

5 By: Senator Faris  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO INCREASE THE CERTIFICATION FEE FOR  
10 EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS; AND FOR OTHER  
11 PURPOSES.  
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### Subtitle

14 AN ACT TO INCREASE THE CERTIFICATION FEE  
15 FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS.  
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-13-211 is amended to read as follows:  
21 20-13-211. Fees.

22 The State Board of Health may establish the fees to be charged by the  
23 Department of Health which are deemed necessary to defray the cost of  
24 administering and enforcing the provisions of this subchapter, as follows:

25 (1) The testing fee not to exceed the cost of administering the  
26 Emergency Medical Technician National Registry Examination;

27 (2) The certification fee for emergency medical technicians,  
28 which shall not exceed ~~ten dollars (\$10.00)~~ twenty dollars (\$20.00). Ten  
29 dollars (\$10.00) of the certification fee shall be credited to the Emergency  
30 Medical Services Revolving Fund, § 20-13-101. The certification shall be  
31 valid for two (2) years;

32 (3) The biennial renewal of the emergency medical technician  
33 certification, which shall not exceed ~~ten dollars (\$10.00)~~ twenty dollars  
34 (\$20.00). Ten dollars (\$10.00) of the biennial renewal shall be credited to  
35 the Emergency Medical Services Revolving Fund, § 20-13-101;

36 (4) The issuance and annual renewal of an operational permit for



1 each ambulance service, which shall not exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00);

2 (5) The annual inspection and permitting of emergency vehicles,  
3 which shall not exceed five dollars (\$5.00) per vehicle; and

4 (6) The issuance and renewal of an operational license for each  
5 air ambulance service, which shall not exceed one hundred dollars (\$100).

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7 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 20-13-101 is amended to read as follows:  
8 20-13-101. Title.

9 (a) This section shall be known as the "Emergency Medical Services  
10 Revolving Fund Act".

11 (b) There is established on the books of the Treasurer of State, the  
12 Auditor of State, and the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State a fund to be  
13 designated the Emergency Medical Services Revolving Fund.

14 (c)(1) It shall be the responsibility of the Office of Emergency  
15 Medical Services to promulgate all rules and regulations for making  
16 application for the matching funds.

17 (2) It shall be further the responsibility of the office to  
18 review all applications and approve those that shall be eligible for moneys  
19 under the provisions of this section and as may otherwise be provided by law.

20 (d)(1) Funds requested by authority of this section shall be matched  
21 on a fifty/fifty (50/50) cash basis by the applicant.

22 (2) The state portion shall at no time exceed ten thousand  
23 dollars (\$10,000) per county, local, commercial, or nonprofit operation,  
24 except that this limitation shall not apply when any county levies a motor  
25 vehicle tax to finance ambulance services as authorized by § 26-78-101 et  
26 seq.

27 (e) All moneys deposited into this fund pursuant to § 20-13-211 shall  
28 be used by the Office of Emergency Medical Services for the following  
29 purposes:

30 (1) Certification processing for emergency medical technicians;

31 (2) Travel expenses related to the onsite administration of  
32 practical and written examinations of emergency medical technicians;

33 (3) Maintenance of the emergency medical technician  
34 certification software program;

35 (4) Educational programs for emergency medical technicians;

36 (5) Continuing maintenance of the required EMT-Instructor

1 certification for agency personnel; and  
2 (6) Other purposes consistent with this section.

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