

HCS SCS SB 1039 -- EMERGENCY SERVICES

Currently, certain counties are required to have at least one licensed emergency medical technician (EMT), registered nurse, or physician with a patient in the patient compartment of an ambulance during transport. At all other times when an ambulance is in use as an ambulance, there must be a minimum of one EMT and one other crew member. This bill removes the reference to specific counties and specifies that when a licensed ambulance is used as an ambulance and staffed with volunteers, the other crew member required in addition to the EMT may be a licensed EMT, registered nurse, physician, or certified first responder.

Christian County, upon voter approval of a county sales tax for central dispatching of emergency services, is required to appoint a seven-member board including the heads of any of the county's fire protection districts, any of the county's ambulance districts, any of the police departments in the county, and any of the county's emergency management organizations and the county sheriff, or their respective designees, to administer the funds and oversee the provision of emergency services.