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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate	.	House
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The Committee on Appropriations (Rodriguez) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Between lines 232 and 233

insert:

Section 6. Section 395.3042, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

395.3042 Emergency medical services providers; triage and transportation of heart attack victims to an adult cardiovascular services provider.—

(1) By June 1 of each year, the department shall send a



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11 list of providers of Level I and Level II adult cardiovascular  
12 services to the medical director of each licensed emergency  
13 medical services provider in this state.

14 (2) The department shall develop a sample heart attack-  
15 triage assessment tool. The department shall post this sample  
16 assessment tool on its website and provide a copy of the  
17 assessment tool to each licensed emergency medical services  
18 provider. Each licensed emergency medical services provider  
19 shall use a heart attack-triage assessment tool that is  
20 substantially similar to the sample heart attack-triage  
21 assessment tool provided by the department.

22 (3) The medical director of each licensed emergency medical  
23 services provider shall develop and implement assessment,  
24 treatment, and transport-destination protocols for heart attack  
25 patients with the intent to assess, treat, and transport heart  
26 attack patients to the most appropriate hospital. Such protocols  
27 must include the development and implementation of plans for the  
28 triage and transport of patients with acute heart attack  
29 symptoms.

30 (4) Each emergency medical services provider licensed under  
31 chapter 401 must comply with this section.

32 Section 7. Present subsections (3) and (4) of section  
33 401.465, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (4)  
34 and (5), respectively, paragraph (d) is added to subsection (1)  
35 and a new subsection (3) is added to that section, and  
36 paragraphs (d) and (j) of subsection (2) of that section are  
37 amended, to read:

38 401.465 911 public safety telecommunicator certification.-

39 (1) DEFINITIONS.-As used in this section, the term:



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40           (d) "Telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation  
41 training" means specific training, including continuous  
42 education, that is evidence based and contains nationally  
43 accepted guidelines for high-quality telecommunicator  
44 cardiopulmonary resuscitation with the recognition of out-of-  
45 hospital cardiac arrest over the telephone and the delivery of  
46 telephonic instructions for treating cardiac arrest and  
47 performing compression-only cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

48           (2) PERSONNEL; STANDARDS AND CERTIFICATION.—

49           (d) The department shall determine whether the applicant  
50 meets the requirements specified in this section and in rules of  
51 the department and shall issue a certificate to any person who  
52 meets such requirements. Such requirements must include the  
53 following:

54           1. Completion of an appropriate 911 public safety  
55 telecommunication training program;

56           2. Certification under oath that the applicant is not  
57 addicted to alcohol or any controlled substance;

58           3. Certification under oath that the applicant is free from  
59 any physical or mental defect or disease that might impair the  
60 applicant's ability to perform his or her duties;

61           4. Submission of the application fee prescribed in  
62 subsection (4) ~~(3)~~;

63           5. Submission of a completed application to the department  
64 which indicates compliance with subparagraphs 1., 2., and 3.;  
65 and

66           6. Effective October 1, 2012, passage of an examination  
67 approved by the department which measures the applicant's  
68 competency and proficiency in the subject material of the public



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69 safety telecommunication training program.

70 (j)1. The requirement for certification as a 911 public  
71 safety telecommunicator is waived for a person employed as a  
72 sworn state-certified law enforcement officer, provided the  
73 officer:

74 a. Is selected by his or her chief executive to perform as  
75 a 911 public safety telecommunicator;

76 b. Performs as a 911 public safety telecommunicator on an  
77 occasional or limited basis; and

78 c. Passes the department-approved examination that measures  
79 the competency and proficiency of an applicant in the subject  
80 material comprising the public safety telecommunication program.

81 2. A sworn state-certified law enforcement officer who  
82 fails an examination taken under subparagraph 1. must take a  
83 department-approved public safety telecommunication training  
84 program prior to retaking the examination.

85 3. The testing required under this paragraph is exempt from  
86 the examination fee required under subsection (4) ~~(3)~~.

87 (3) TELECOMMUNICATOR CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION  
88 TRAINING.—In addition to the certification and recertification  
89 requirements imposed by this section, 911 public safety  
90 telecommunicators who take telephone calls and provide dispatch  
91 functions for emergency medical conditions also shall receive  
92 telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation training every 2  
93 years.

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95 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

96 And the title is amended as follows:

97 Delete line 28



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98 and insert:

99 changes; creating s. 395.3042, F.S.; requiring the  
100 department to send a list of certain providers of  
101 adult cardiovascular services to the medical directors  
102 of licensed emergency medical services providers by a  
103 specified date each year; requiring the department to  
104 develop a sample heart attack-triage assessment tool;  
105 requiring the department to post the sample assessment  
106 tool on its website and provide a copy of it to all  
107 licensed emergency medical services providers;  
108 requiring such providers to use an assessment tool  
109 substantially similar to the one developed by the  
110 department; requiring the medical director of each  
111 licensed emergency medical services provider to  
112 develop and implement certain protocols for heart  
113 attack patients; providing requirements for such  
114 protocols; requiring licensed emergency medical  
115 services providers to comply with certain provisions;  
116 amending s. 401.465, F.S.; defining the term  
117 "telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation  
118 training"; requiring certain 911 public safety  
119 telecommunicators to receive biannual telecommunicator  
120 cardiopulmonary resuscitation training; amending s.  
121 460.406, F.S.; revising