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**An Act to Amend the Ambulance Services Act**

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Hon. Cory Deagle  
Minister of Health and Wellness

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BE IT ENACTED by the Lieutenant Governor and the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Prince Edward Island as follows:

1. (1) Subsection 1(1) of the *Ambulance Services Act* R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. A-10.01, is amended
    - (a) by the repeal of clauses (e), (g), (h) and (l);
    - (b) in clause (m), by the deletion of the words “his or her” and the substitution of the words “the Minister’s”;
    - (c) by the addition of the following after clause (n):
      - (n.1) “**paramedic**” means a paramedic as defined in the *Regulated Health Professions Act* Paramedics Regulations (EC218/24);
      - (n.2) “**paramedicine**” means paramedicine as defined in the *Regulated Health Professions Act* Paramedics Regulations;
    - (d) in subclause (o)(ii), by the deletion of the words “emergency medical technician” and the substitution of the word “paramedic”.
  - (2) Clause 1(2)(f) of the Act is amended by the deletion of the words “an emergency medical technician” and the substitution of the words “a paramedic”.
2. (1) Subsection 3(2) of the Act is amended
    - (a) in clause (b),
      - (i) by the deletion of the words “in consultation with medical advisors and”, and
      - (ii) by the deletion of the words “emergency medical technicians” and the substitution of the word “paramedics”; and
    - (b) in clause (d), by the deletion of the words “by emergency medical technicians” and the substitution of the word “paramedics”.

**(2) Subsections 3(3), (4), (5) and (6) of the Act are repealed and the following substituted:**

**Directives and reporting requirements**

- (3) The Director may, in writing, issue a directive to, or impose a reporting requirement on, an operator in respect of providing ambulance services.

**Compliance**

- (4) An operator shall comply with any directive issued to, or reporting requirement imposed on, the operator under subsection (3).

3. **Clause 5(2)(b) of the Act is amended by the deletion of the words “emergency medical technician” and the substitution of the word “paramedic”.**

4. **The heading “Medical Advisor” immediately before section 6 of the Act is repealed.**

5. **Section 6 of the Act is repealed.**

6. **Clause 7(1)(b) of the Act is amended by the deletion of the words “emergency medical technicians” and the substitution of the word “paramedics”.**

7. (1) **Subsection 9(1) of the Act is amended by the deletion of the words “his or her” and the substitution of the words “the inspector’s”.**

- (2) **Clause 9(2)(b) of the Act is repealed and the following substituted:**

- (b) inspect, examine and test any vehicle equipment, and patient care equipment and supplies, that are used or intended to be used by the operator to provide ambulance services; and

- (3) **Subsection 9(3) of the Act is amended by the deletion of the words “an emergency medical technician” and the substitution of the words “a paramedic”.**

8. **Section 11 of the Act is amended**

- (a) **by the deletion of the word “Board” and the substitution of the words “College of Paramedicine of Prince Edward Island”; and**

- (b) **by the deletion of the words “an emergency medical technician” and the substitution of the words “a paramedic”.**

9. **Subsection 12(1) of the Act is amended by the deletion of the words “his or her” wherever they occur and the substitution of the words “the inspector’s”.**

10. **The heading “Emergency Medical Technicians” immediately before section 14 of the Act is repealed and the heading “Paramedics” substituted.**

- 11. Section 14 of the Act is repealed and the following substituted:**
- 14. Prohibition, operator employing non-paramedic**
- (1) No operator shall employ a person other than a paramedic as a paramedic or permit a person other than a paramedic to practise paramedicine in the course of employment with the operator.
- Prohibition, operator permitting paramedic to contravene Act**
- (2) No operator shall permit a paramedic employed by the operator to provide ambulance services except in accordance with the Act, the regulations, and the protocols and guidelines.
- 12. (1) Subsection 15(1) of the Act is amended by the deletion of the words “emergency medical technician” and the substitution of the word “paramedic”.**
- (2) Subclause 15(2)(c)(i) of the Act is amended by the deletion of the words “emergency medical technician” and the substitution of the word “paramedic”.**
- (3) Subsection 15(4) of the Act is amended**
- (a) by the deletion of the words “emergency medical technicians” and the substitution of the word “paramedics”; and**
- (b) by the deletion of the words “an emergency medical technician” and the substitution of the words “a paramedic”.**
- 13. Clause 16(3)(a) of the Act is amended by the deletion of the words “or (4)”.**
- 14. Section 19 of the Act is amended**
- (a) by the deletion of the words “subsection 3(5) or (6),” and the substitution of the words “subsection 3(4),”; and**
- (b) by the deletion of the words “subsection 6(1),”.**
- 15. Clause 23(1)(a) of the Act is amended by the deletion of the words “a medical advisor and”.**

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

**SECTION 1** amends subsection 1(1) of the *Ambulance Services Act* by repealing definitions of the terms “Board”, “emergency medical technician”, “emergency medical technology” and “medical advisor” and adding definitions of the terms “paramedic” and “paramedicine”. This reflects the repeal of the *Emergency Medical Technicians Act*, the regulation of paramedicine and paramedics under the *Regulated Health Professions Act* and the Paramedics Regulations, and a proposed amendment to the Act to remove the requirement for an operator to retain a medical advisor. It also amends clause 1(1)(m) of the Act to replace gendered language, and amends clauses 1(1)(o) and 1(2)(f) of the Act to reflect updated terminology.

**SECTION 2** amends subsection 3(2) of the Act by removing a reference to medical advisors and updating terminology. It also repeals subsections 3(3), (4), (5) and (6) of the Act and replaces them with new subsections 3(3) and (4), which provide for the Director to issue directives to and impose reporting requirements on operators instead of medical advisors.

**SECTION 3** amends clause 5(2)(b) of the Act to reflect updated terminology.

**SECTION 4** amends the Act by removing a heading that is no longer needed.

**SECTION 5** repeals section 6 of the Act, which requires an operator to retain a medical advisor and sets out the duties of a medical advisor.

**SECTION 6** amends clause 7(1)(b) of the Act to reflect updated terminology.

**SECTION 7** amends subsection 9(1) of the Act to replace gendered language, repeals and replaces clause 9(2)(b) of the Act to improve the wording and amends subsection 9(3) of the Act to reflect updated terminology.

**SECTION 8** amends section 11 of the Act to reflect the repeal of the *Emergency Medical Technicians Act*, the regulation of paramedicine and paramedics under the *Regulated Health Professions Act* and the Paramedics Regulations, and updated terminology.

**SECTION 9** amends subsection 12(1) of the Act to replace gendered language.

**SECTION 10** repeals and replaces a heading in the Act to reflect updated terminology.

**SECTION 11** repeals and replaces section 14 of the Act to reflect updated terminology and improve the wording.

**SECTION 12** amends section 15 of the Act to reflect updated terminology.

**SECTION 13** amends clause 16(3)(a) of the Act to reflect amendments to other provisions.

**SECTION 14** amends section 19 of the Act to reflect amendments to other provisions.

**SECTION 15** amends clause 23(1)(a) of the Act to remove a reference to a medical advisor.

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**SIGNATURES:**

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