

"Protecting Patient Access to Emergency Medications Act of 2016 (S. 2932)"

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Section 1. Short Title

Section 2. Findings

Section 3. Emergency Medical Services

Amends the Controlled Substances Act (21 USC 821 et seq) with respect to the provision of emergency medical services to:

- Define emergency medical services, emergency medical services practitioner, standing and verbal orders, online medical direction and registrant emergency medical services agency
- Allow registration of an emergency medical services agency in lieu of registering the individual practitioners or one or more medical directors of such agency
- Allow a single registration per State, not a separate registration for each location of the EMS agency
- Allow controlled substances in schedule II-V to be administered by an EMS practitioner of a registrant emergency medical services agency via standing order issued by one or more medical directors of such an agency; or online medical direction that includes a verbal order issued by one or more medical directors
- Provide medical oversight of the provision of emergency medical services by one or more medical directors of a registrant emergency medical services agency
- Update receipt, movement and storage rules for EMS agency controlled substances.

Supporting Organizations

American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)
American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP)
Association of Critical Care Transport (ACCT)
Emergency Nurses Association (ENA)
The Epilepsy Foundation
International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC)
International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF)
National Association of EMS Physicians (NAEMSP)
National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians (NAEMT)
National Association of State EMS Officials (NASEMSO)
Oregon State Ambulance Association (OSAA)