

Department of Planning and Budget
2005 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB2239

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Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. Patron: O'Bannon, J.

3. Committee: Health, Welfare, and Institutions.

4. Title: Statewide Emergency Medical Services Plan.

5. Summary/Purpose: This bill amends the requirements for the Statewide Emergency Medical Services Plan prepared by the Board of Health to include (i) publishing the Plan; (ii) expanding the availability of paramedic and advanced life support training; and (iii) identifying and establishing best practices for managing and operating emergency medical services agencies, improving and managing emergency medical response times, and disseminating certain information. The bill also deletes an obsolete cross-reference to automated external defibrillators.

6. Fiscal Impacts are: None.

7. Budget amendment necessary: None.

8. Fiscal implications: None.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: None.

10. Technical amendment necessary: None.

11. Other comments: There will be no additional cost to revise the existing State Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Plan, or to expand the availability of advanced life support training and identifying best practices for managing and operating EMS agencies. These activities are already part of an ongoing and routine practice of reviewing, revising, and updating the State EMS Plan at the Office of Emergency Medical Services (OEMS). The cost to revise and upgrade training and education programs is already covered in the OEMS budget as part of its normal and routine process related to curriculum development, education, and maintenance.

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