

General Assembly

Committee Bill No. 6368

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LCO No. 4381

Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by: (PH)

AN ACT ALLOWING EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS TO ADMINISTER EPINEPHRINE WITHOUT THE USE OF AUTOMATIC PREFILLED CARTRIDGE INJECTORS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Section 19a-197a of the general statutes is repealed and
 the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

(a) As used in this section, "emergency medical technician" means
(1) any class of emergency medical technician certified under
regulations adopted pursuant to section 20-20600, including, but not
limited to, any advanced emergency medical technician, and (2) any
paramedic licensed pursuant to section 20-206*ll*.

8 (b) Any emergency medical technician who has been trained, in 9 accordance with national standards recognized by the Commissioner 10 of Public Health, in the administration of epinephrine [using automatic 11 prefilled cartridge injectors or similar automatic injectable equipment] 12 and who functions in accordance with written protocols and the 13 standing orders of a licensed physician serving as an emergency 14 department director may administer epinephrine. [using such injectors

- 15 or equipment.] All emergency medical technicians shall receive such
- 16 training. All licensed or certified ambulances shall be equipped with
- 17 epinephrine [in such injectors or equipment which] that may be
- 18 administered in accordance with written protocols and standing orders
- 19 of a licensed physician serving as an emergency department director.

| This act shal sections: | l take effect as follow | s and shall amend the following |
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| Section 1 | October 1, 2019 | 19a-197a |

PH Joint Favorable