

Amendment No. 28

Assembly Amendment to Assembly Bill No. 178	(BDR 40-730)
Proposed by: Assembly Committee on Health and Human Services	
Amends: Summary: No Title: No Preamble: No Joint Sponsorship: No Digest: Yes	

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EXPLANATION: Matter in (1) *blue bold italics* is new language in the original bill; (2) variations of green bold underlining is language proposed to be added in this amendment; (3) ~~red strikethrough~~ is deleted language in the original bill; (4) ~~purple double strikethrough~~ is language proposed to be deleted in this amendment; (5) orange double underlining is deleted language in the original bill proposed to be retained in this amendment.

AMD/HAC



Date: 3/30/2023

A.B. No. 178—Revises provisions governing emergency medical services.
(BDR 40-730)



ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 178—ASSEMBLYMEN GURR, GRAY; DELONG, DICKMAN,
GALLANT, HIBBETTS AND O’NEILL

FEBRUARY 15, 2023

Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing emergency medical services.
(BDR 40-730)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact.
Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to emergency medical services; revising provisions related to permit renewals for certain operators of ambulances, air ambulances or vehicles of firefighting agencies; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

Existing law provides that a permit must be issued by a health authority for the operation of an ambulance, air ambulance or fire-fighting vehicle, which must be renewed annually. (NRS 450B.200) **Section 1** of this bill extends the length of the permit from 1 year to ~~5~~ 2 years, and requires operators to notify the permitting health authority about any change in ownership or control within 90 days after the change. **Section 2** of this bill clarifies that any permit that is issued on or before October 1, 2023, expires on July 1, 2024, and any renewal of such a permit expires ~~5~~ 2 years following the date of renewal.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. NRS 450B.200 is hereby amended to read as follows:

450B.200 1. The health authority may issue a permit for:

(a) The operation of an ambulance or an air ambulance; or

(b) The operation of a vehicle of a fire-fighting agency:

(1) At the scene of an emergency; and

(2) To provide community paramedicine services, but only if the holder of the permit has obtained an endorsement on the permit to provide such services pursuant to NRS 450B.1993.

2. Each permit must be evidenced by a card issued to the holder of the permit.

3. No permit may be issued unless the applicant is qualified pursuant to the regulations of the board.

4. An application for a permit must be made upon forms prescribed by the board and in accordance with procedures established by the board, and must contain the following:

1 (a) The name and address of the owner of the ambulance or air ambulance or
2 of the fire-fighting agency;

3 (b) The name under which the applicant is doing business or proposes to do
4 business, if applicable;

5 (c) A description of each ambulance, air ambulance or vehicle of a fire-fighting
6 agency, including the make, year of manufacture and chassis number, and the color
7 scheme, insignie, name, monogram or other distinguishing characteristics to be used
8 to designate the applicant's ambulance, air ambulance or vehicle;

9 (d) The location and description of the places from which the ambulance, air
10 ambulance or fire-fighting agency intends to operate; and

11 (e) Such other information as the board deems reasonable and necessary to a
12 fair determination of compliance with the provisions of this chapter.

13 5. The board shall establish a reasonable fee for ~~annual~~ permits.

14 6. All permits expire ~~on July 1st~~ **2 years** following the date of issue, and are
15 renewable ~~annually each fifth year~~ **biennially** thereafter upon payment of the fee
16 required by subsection 5 at least 30 days before the expiration date.

17 7. ***If a change in ownership or control occurs, or if operations change***
18 ***beyond the scope of the permit, the operator shall notify the health authority not***
19 ***later than 90 days after the change occurs.***

20 8. The health authority shall:

21 (a) Revoke, suspend or refuse to renew any permit issued pursuant to this
22 section for violation of any provision of this chapter or of any regulation adopted by
23 the board; or

24 (b) Bring an action in any court for violation of this chapter or the regulations
25 adopted pursuant to this chapter,

26 **↳** only after the holder of a permit is afforded an opportunity for a public hearing
27 pursuant to regulations adopted by the board.

28 ~~8.~~ 9. The health authority may suspend a permit if the holder is using an
29 ambulance, air ambulance or vehicle of a fire-fighting agency which does not meet
30 the minimum requirements for equipment as established by the board pursuant to
31 this chapter.

32 ~~9.~~ 10. In determining whether to issue a permit for the operation of an air
33 ambulance pursuant to this section, the health authority:

34 (a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b), may consider the medical
35 aspects of the operation of an air ambulance, including, without limitation, aspects
36 related to patient care; and

37 (b) Shall not consider economic factors, including, without limitation, factors
38 related to the prices, routes or nonmedical services of an air ambulance.

39 ~~10.~~ 11. The issuance of a permit pursuant to this section or NRS 450B.210
40 does not authorize any person or governmental entity to provide those services or to
41 operate any ambulance, air ambulance or vehicle of a fire-fighting agency not in
42 conformity with any ordinance or regulation enacted by any county, municipality or
43 special purpose district.

44 ~~11.~~ 12. A permit issued pursuant to this section is valid throughout the
45 State, whether issued by the Division or a district board of health. An ambulance,
46 air ambulance or vehicle of a fire-fighting agency which has received a permit from
47 the district board of health in a county whose population is 700,000 or more is not
48 required to obtain a permit from the Division, even if the ambulance, air ambulance
49 or vehicle of a fire-fighting agency has routine operations outside the county.

50 ~~12.~~ 13. The Division shall maintain a central registry of all permits issued
51 pursuant to this section, whether issued by the Division or a district board of health.

52 ~~13.~~ 14. The board shall adopt such regulations as are necessary to carry out
53 the provisions of this section.

1 **Sec. 2.** 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of NRS 450B.200, as amended
2 by section 1 of this act, any valid permit that is issued on or before October 1, 2023,
3 pursuant to the provisions of NRS 450B.200, as that section existed on September
4 30, 2023, expires on July 1, 2024. Any renewal of such a permit expires ~~for~~ 2 years
5 following the date of renewal.

6 2. As used in this section, “permit” means a permit issued by a health
7 authority pursuant to NRS 450B.200 for:

8 (a) The operation of an ambulance or an air ambulance; or

9 (b) The operation of a vehicle of a fire-fighting agency:

10 (1) At the scene of an emergency; and

11 (2) To provide community paramedicine services, but only if the holder of
12 the permit has obtained an endorsement on the permit to provide such services
13 pursuant to NRS 450B.1993.