

**Maryland General Assembly
Department of Legislative Services**

**Proposed Regulation
Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems
(DLS Control No. 15-414)**

Overview and Legal and Fiscal Impact

The regulation clarifies examination and reexamination requirements for licensure or certification of emergency medical services (EMS) providers.

The regulation presents no legal issues of concern.

There is no fiscal impact on State or local agencies.

Regulation of COMAR Affected

Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems:

Emergency Medical Services Providers: Licensure and Certification:
COMAR 30.02.02.05

Legal Analysis

Summary of Regulation

The regulation clarifies examination and reexamination requirements for licensure or certification of EMS providers. The regulation specifies that a paramedic or cardiac rescue technician (CRT) applicant who fails the written Maryland Protocol Review examination may retest once within 90 days of the initial written examination. Additionally, the regulation specifies that a paramedic or CRT applicant who fails a second written examination may retest one additional time within 12 months of the second written examination with documentation of a protocol review under the most recent protocols. The regulation also repeals obsolete provisions.

Legal Issues

The regulation presents no legal issues of concern.

Statutory Authority and Legislative Intent

The Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems cites § 13-516 of the Education Article as statutory authority for the regulation. Section 13-516 establishes requirements for the certification or licensure of EMS providers and authorizes the EMS Board, which governs the institute, to adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of the section.

This authority is correct and complete. The regulation complies with the legislative intent of the law.

Fiscal Analysis

There is no fiscal impact on State or local agencies.

Agency Estimate of Projected Fiscal Impact

The regulation clarifies examination and reexamination procedures and timeframes for individuals seeking licensure and certification as emergency medical services providers. The Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems advises that the regulation has no impact on State or local governments. The Department of Legislative Services concurs.

Impact on Budget

There is no impact on the State operating or capital budget.

Agency Estimate of Projected Small Business Impact

The department advises that the regulation has minimal or no economic impact on small businesses in the State. The Department of Legislative Services concurs.

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