A03590 Summary:

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01/27/2015 referred to governmental operations
05/29/2015 amend (t) and recommit to governmental operations
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06/14/2016 rules report cal.268
06/14/2016 substituted by s5542b
s05542 AMEND=B BONACIC
05/14/2015 REFERRED TO HEALTH
05/26/2015 AMEND (T) AND RECOMMIT TO HEALTH
06/11/2015 PRINT NUMBER 5542B
06/11/2015 REFERRED TO HEALTH
06/09/2016 COMMITTEE DISCHARGED AND COMMITTED TO RULES
06/09/2016 ORDERED TO THIRD READING CAL.1617
06/09/2016 PASSED SENATE
06/09/2016 DELIVERED TO ASSEMBLY
06/09/2016 referred to code
06/14/2016 substituted for a359ob
06/14/2016 ordered to third reading rules cal.268
06/14/2016 passed assembly
06/14/2016 returned to senate
11/02/2016 DELIVERED TO GOVERNOR
11/14/2016 SIGNED CHAP.429

A03590 Memo:

NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY
MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF LEGISLATION
submitted in accordance with Assembly Rule III, Sec 1(f)

BILL NUMBER: A03590B

SPONSOR: Skoufias

TITLE OF BILL: An act to amend the executive law, in relation to qualifications to serve as an emergency medical technician

PURPOSE OR GENERAL IDEA OF BILL: This bill would require a check of the sex offender registry when emergency medical technicians and other first responders apply for membership to an ambulance company or service.

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SUMMARY OF SPECIFIC PROVISIONS:

Section 1 amends the executive law to require the chief officer of an ambulance company or service to search for sex offense conviction records when prospective EMT and other first responders apply for membership. Should such search reveal that the applicant has been convicted of a crime that requires registration as a sex offender, the ambulance company or service would be required to make a determination regarding eligibility consistent with article 23a of the correction law.

Section 2 provides an effective date.

JUSTIFICATION: Volunteer ambulance companies and proprietary ambulance services should be required to screen applicants against the sex offender registry, and should be able to determine if a person's status as a sex offender should be reason deny membership. Emergency medical technicians are usually in situations where children and families are present and vulnerable due to a medical emergency. It is also common for ambulance companies to participate in community and school events where children are present. This bill will increase the safety of the general public by allowing ambulance company and services to screen prospective EMTs and determine whether the applicant shall be eligible to become a member of such company or service.

PRIOR LEGISLATIVE HISTORY: This is a new bill.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS: None.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This act shall take effect one hundred and twenty days after it shall have become a law.

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STATE OF NEW YORK

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2015-2016 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

January 27, 2015

Introduced by M. of A. SKOUFIS, GENTNER, JAFFKE, CLARK, MURRAY, BRAUNSTEIN, RUSSELL, MILLER, SCHIMMINGER, COLTON, ZEBROWSKI, CROCH, FINCH, ARROYO, HOOPER, BRINDISI, SEPULVEDA, WALTER, MONTEZANO, BRABEC, LAWRENCE, MALADINO, STRIFE, WORNER, PAIA -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. BARANCH, DUPREY, FRIEND, GIGLIO, LUPINACCI, MAHER, MARKEY, MCEVITT, PERRY, ROBINSON, SCHIMEL, SIMON, THIELE -- read once and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee -- again reported from said committee with amendments, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to qualifications to serve as an emergency medical technician

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. The executive law is amended by adding a new section 837-s
2 to read as follows:

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S. 837-A. Search for sex offense conviction records of emergency medical technician and other first responder applicants. 1. The chief officer of any volunteer ambulance company, as such term is defined in subdivision two of section three of the volunteer ambulance workers' benefit law, any proprietary ambulance service, or any other ambulance or emergency medical service providing emergency medical care and transportation of sick or injured persons to health care facilities, shall notify every new applicant for emergency medical technician, paramedic, certified first responder applicant, or any other applicant who would be responsible for providing emergency medical care and transportation of sick or injured persons to health care facilities, including applicants seeking to transfer from one ambulance company or service to another, that their personally identifying information will be checked against the publicly available sex offender registry under article six-c of the correction law.

EXPLANATION—Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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2. If such applicant desires to proceed, within ten business days of receiving an application, the chief officer shall inquire of the division as to whether such applicant is required to register by calling the special telephone number established pursuant to section one hundred sixty-eight-c of the correction law. Such chief officers may also check the internet posting subdirectory of level two and three sex offenders established pursuant to section one hundred sixty-eight-g of the correction law.

3. Where such search reveals that an applicant is registered under article six-c of the correction law, the chief officer of the ambulance company or service shall determine whether or not such person shall be eligible to be elected or otherwise appointed as a member of such ambulance company or service. Such determination shall be made consistent with article twenty-three-A of the correction law and a copy of such article shall be provided to the applicant.

92. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after it shall have become a law.