

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)

SENATE BILL 206

By: Woods

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to emergency medical services; amending 63 O.S. 2021, Section 1-2502, which relates to legislative findings and declarations; declaring emergency medical services to be considered essential services for certain purpose; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 1-2502, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1-2502. The Legislature hereby finds and declares that:

1. There is a critical shortage of providers of emergency care for:

- a. the delivery of fast, efficient emergency medical care for the sick and injured at the scene of a medical emergency and during transport to a health care facility, and
- b. the delivery of stabilizing and definitive care at a health care facility; ~~and~~

1 2. Improved emergency service is required to reduce the
2 mortality rate during the first critical minutes immediately
3 following the onset of a medical emergency; and

4 3. Solely for purposes of eligibility for federal funding,
5 emergency medical services provided by an ambulance service managed
6 by a municipality, county, ambulance service district, or other
7 public entity shall be considered essential services.

8 SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
9 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
10 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
11 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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