

SENATE BILL 974

By Powers

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68,
Chapter 140, Part 3, relative to ground ambulance
service providers.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 140, Part 3, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) A licensed Tennessee ambulance service with full-time employed emergency medical services personnel who successfully complete in each year an in-service training course, appropriate to the emergency medical services personnel's rank and responsibility, of at least forty (40) hours duration at a training center must receive a pay supplement of eight hundred dollars (\$800) from the board of emergency medical services to be paid to the emergency medical services personnel in addition to the emergency medical services personnel's regular salary.

(b) A full-time, ambulance service-employed emergency medical services personnel is eligible for such educational incentive upon satisfactory completion, as determined by the board, of forty (40) hours of such training in each year.

(c) Notwithstanding a law to the contrary, an emergency medical services personnel who served, or serves, on active duty in the armed forces of the United States during any period of armed conflict prescribed by presidential proclamation or federal law must receive the cash salary supplement provided pursuant to this section, if such service prevented, or prevents, such emergency medical services personnel from attending the in-service training program pursuant to this section.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.