

SENATE FILE 84  
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A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing for the rendering of emergency medical care  
2 services by an emergency medical care provider outside of the  
3 geographic area for which the provider is certified.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 147A.8, Code 1997, is amended by adding  
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 3. Render emergency medical care, rescue,  
4 and lifesaving services at the scene of an emergency outside  
5 of the geographic area for which the emergency medical care  
6 provider is certified, if all of the following are met:

7 a. In the opinion of the emergency medical care provider  
8 the life of the patient is in immediate danger and emergency  
9 medical care is required to preserve the patient's life.

10 b. An emergency medical care provider certified to provide  
11 emergency medical services within the geographic area of the  
12 emergency is not present at the scene of the emergency.

13 c. The emergency medical care provider has either  
14 obtained, or attempted to obtain, authorization to initiate  
15 emergency care services from an ambulance, rescue, or first  
16 response service certified pursuant to section 147A.5 within  
17 the geographic area of the emergency, or from a physician,  
18 physician's assistant, or registered nurse.

19 d. The emergency medical care provider renders only those  
20 emergency medical care services for which the provider is  
21 certified pursuant to section 147A.6, and provides such  
22 services for the purpose of preserving the patient's life  
23 until the arrival of an authorized emergency medical care  
24 provider within the geographic area of the emergency.

25 EXPLANATION

26 This bill provides that an emergency medical care provider  
27 may initiate procedures required to preserve the life of a  
28 patient in immediate danger in an emergency situation outside  
29 the geographic area for which the emergency medical care  
30 provider is certified when an emergency medical care provider  
31 certified within the geographic area is not present. The  
32 emergency medical care provider must first either obtain, or  
33 attempt to obtain, authorization to initiate emergency care  
34 services from an ambulance, rescue, or first response service  
35 or from a physician, physician's assistant, or registered

1 nurse. The emergency medical care provider may render only  
2 emergency medical care services for which the provider is  
3 certified, and may render them only until the arrival of an  
4 emergency medical care provider authorized within the  
5 geographic area of the emergency.

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