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SENATE FILE BY DANIELSON Vote: Ayes _____ Nays ____ Vote: Ayes ____ Nays ____ A BILL FOR 1 An Act relating to emergency medical services training. 2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA: 3 TLSB 1838SS 82 4 jr/je/5 PAG LIN Section 1. Section 147A.4, subsection 2, Code 2007, is 1 2 amended to read as follows: 2. The department shall adopt rules required or authorized 4 by this subchapter pertaining to the examination and 5 certification of emergency medical care providers. These 6 rules shall include, but need not be limited to, requirements 7 concerning prerequisites, training, and experience for 8 emergency medical care providers and procedures for 9 determining when individuals have met these requirements. a. The department shall adopt rules to recognize the 1 10 1 11 previous EMS training and experience of first responders and 1 12 emergency medical technicians to provide for an equitable 1 13 transition to the EMT=basic certification. The department may 1 14 require additional training and examinations as necessary and 1 15 appropriate to ensure that individuals seeking certification 1 16 have met the EMT=basic knowledge and skill requirements. 1 17 b. The rules adopted by the department related to training 18 shall do all of the following: (1) Allow the instructor of a training class the same educational credit as the class membership. 1 19 (2) Allow credit for both formal and informal credit through internet=based training. 1 23 (3) Structure recertification requirements so that all 24 members of an ambulance, rescue, or first response service may 1 25 recertify during the same period. (4) Establish a minimum basic training schedule. 1 27 EXPLANATION 1 28 Current law provides that an ambulance, rescue, or first 1 29 response service in this state that desires to provide 1 30 emergency medical care in the out=of=hospital setting must 1 31 have a program approved by the department of public health. 1 32 The department of public health has established training 33 requirements as part of the approval process. This bill mandates that the rules regulating the required 35 training allow the program instructor credit for teaching, 1 allow credit for internet training, allow all members of a 2 particular service to recertify during the same period, and 3 establish a minimum basic training schedule.