

**CHAPTER 129**  
**LIMITS ON LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSES**  
*H.F. 160*

**AN ACT** removing the exception which allows licensed practical nurses to staff an authorized ambulance service or rescue squad service.

*Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

Section 1. Section 147A.12, Code 1985, is amended to read as follows:

**147A.12 REGISTERED OR LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE EXCEPTION.**

1. ~~Nothing in this~~ This chapter ~~shall does not~~ restrict a registered ~~or~~ licensed practical nurse, licensed pursuant to chapter 152, from staffing an authorized ambulance service or rescue squad service provided the registered nurse ~~or~~ licensed practical nurse can document equivalency through education and additional skills training essential in the delivery of prehospital emergency care. The equivalency shall be accepted when:

a. Documentation has been reviewed and approved at the local level by the medical director of the ambulance or rescue squad service in accordance with the rules of the board of nursing developed jointly with the board of medical examiners.

b. Authorization has been granted to that ambulance or rescue squad service by the council.

2. Section 147A.10 applies to a registered nurse ~~or a licensed practical nurse~~ in compliance with this section.

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