

~~(J)~~ (K) ~~AFTER DECEMBER 31, 1998:~~

(1) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES ANY PROVISION OF THIS SECTION SUBSECTION IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$1,000 OR IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 1 YEAR OR BOTH.

(2) UNLESS LICENSED OR CERTIFIED TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES UNDER THIS SECTION, A PERSON MAY NOT REPRESENT TO THE PUBLIC THAT THE PERSON IS AUTHORIZED TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES IN THIS STATE; ~~AND.~~

(3) UNLESS LICENSED OR CERTIFIED TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES UNDER THIS SECTION, A PERSON MAY NOT USE THE TERMS "CARDIAC RESCUE TECHNICIAN", "CRT", "EMERGENCY MEDICAL DISPATCHER", "EMD", "EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN", "EMT-A", "EMT-B", "EMT-P", "PARAMEDIC", OR "FIRST RESPONDER" OR ANY OTHER WORDS, LETTERS, OR SYMBOLS WITH THE INTENT TO REPRESENT THAT THE PERSON IS AUTHORIZED TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES.

~~(K)~~ (L) (1) THERE IS AN EMS BOARD PROVIDER FUND.

(2) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE EMS BOARD MAY SET REASONABLE FEES FOR THE INITIAL ISSUANCE OF LICENSES OR CERTIFICATES AND ITS OTHER SERVICES.

(3) (1) THE EMS BOARD MAY NOT CHARGE AN INITIAL LICENSING FEE ~~OR,~~ AN INITIAL CERTIFYING FEE ~~OR,~~ A FEE FOR THE RENEWAL OF A LICENSE ~~OR,~~ A FEE FOR THE RENEWAL OF A CERTIFICATE, A TESTING FEE, OR A RETESTING FEE TO AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS A ~~CURRENT~~ MEMBER OR EMPLOYEE OF ANY GOVERNMENTAL OR VOLUNTEER FIRE OR RESCUE COMPANY AT THE TIME OF THAT INDIVIDUAL'S APPLICATION.

(II) THE EMS BOARD SHALL PAY ALL FEES COLLECTED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION TO THE COMPTROLLER OF THE STATE.

(III) THE COMPTROLLER OF THE STATE SHALL DISTRIBUTE THE FEES TO THE EMS BOARD PROVIDER FUND.

(4) THE EMS BOARD PROVIDER FUND SHALL BE USED EXCLUSIVELY TO FUND THE ACTUAL DOCUMENTED DIRECT AND INDIRECT COSTS OF FULFILLING THE STATUTORY AND REGULATORY DUTIES OF THE EMS BOARD AS PROVIDED BY THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

(5) (I) THE EMS BOARD PROVIDER FUND IS A CONTINUING, NONLAPSING FUND AND IS NOT SUBJECT TO § 7-302 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.

(II) ANY UNSPENT PORTION OF THE EMS BOARD PROVIDER FUND MAY NOT BE TRANSFERRED OR REVERT TO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE STATE BUT SHALL REMAIN IN THE EMS BOARD PROVIDER FUND TO BE USED FOR THE PURPOSES SPECIFIED IN THIS SECTION.