

- (1) An individual who is licensed by this State to provide medical care;
- (2) A member of any State, county, municipal, or volunteer fire department, ambulance and rescue squad or law enforcement agency or of the National Ski Patrol System, or a corporate fire department responding to a call outside of its corporate premises, if the member:
 - (i) Has completed an American Red Cross course in advanced first aid and has a current card showing that status;
 - (ii) Has completed an equivalent of an American Red Cross course in advanced first aid, as determined by the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene; or
 - (iii) Is certified OR LICENSED by this State as an emergency medical [technician or cardiac rescue technician] SERVICES PROVIDER;
- (3) A volunteer fire department, ambulance and rescue squad whose members have immunity; and
- (4) A corporation when its fire department personnel are immune under paragraph (2) of this subsection.

(c) An individual who is not covered otherwise by this section is not civilly liable for any act or omission in providing assistance or medical aid to a victim at the scene of an emergency, if:

- (1) The assistance or aid is provided in a reasonably prudent manner;
- (2) The assistance or aid is provided without fee or other compensation; and
- (3) The individual relinquishes care of the victim when someone who is licensed or certified by this State to provide medical care or services becomes available to take responsibility.

SECTION ~~2~~ 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 14-303 and 14-305 of Article - Health Occupations of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed.

SECTION ~~3~~ 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Emergency Medical Services Board shall adopt the regulations necessary to implement this Act by December 31, 1998.

SECTION ~~4~~ 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That all emergency medical services providers certified by the EMS Board or the Board of Physician Quality Assurance prior to December 31, 1998 shall be deemed to be licensed or certified under the provisions of this Act until the expiration of their certification.

SECTION ~~5~~ 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That ~~Section 3~~ Sections 2 and 4 of this Act shall take effect July 1, 1997.

SECTION ~~6~~ 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That ~~Sections 1, 2, and 4~~ of subject to Section 6 of this Act, this Act shall take effect December 31, 1998.

Approved April 29, 1997.