

emergency medical technician-paramedic is entitled to qualified immunity from civil liability for providing emergency assistance or medical care under certain circumstances; repealing a certain provision requiring paramedics to undergo making passage of a certain Act contingent on the passage of legislation creating a State licensing procedure for paramedics; changing a reference from "emergency medical technician" to "emergency medical technician-paramedic"; providing for the effective date of this Act; and generally relating to qualified immunity from civil liability for providing emergency medical care and emergency medical technician-paramedics.

~~BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,~~

~~Article — Courts and Judicial Proceedings~~

~~Section 5-309~~

~~Annotated Code of Maryland~~

~~(1995 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)~~

BY repealing

Chapter 248 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1983

Section 2

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article — Courts and Judicial Proceedings

~~5-309.~~

~~(a) A person described in subsection (b) of this section is not civilly liable for any act or omission in giving any assistance or medical care, if:~~

~~(1) The act or omission is not one of gross negligence;~~

~~(2) The assistance or medical care is provided without fee or other compensation; and~~

~~(3) The assistance or medical care is provided:~~

~~(i) At the scene of an emergency;~~

~~(ii) In transit to a medical facility; or~~

~~(iii) Through communications with personnel providing emergency assistance.~~

~~(b) Subsection (a) of this section applies to the following:~~

~~(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:~~