

(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 by this State as an [emergency medical technician]-~~
EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN-PARAMEDIC or cardiac rescue technician;

(3) ~~A volunteer fire department, ambulance and rescue squad whose members have immunity;~~

(4) ~~A corporation when its fire department personnel are immune under paragraph (2) of this subsection.~~

(e) ~~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.~~

Chapter 248 of the Acts of 1983

[SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the passage of this Act is contingent upon the passage of an Act which creates a State licensing procedure for paramedics. If such an Act is not enacted, the provisions of this Act are null and void without the need of further action by the General Assembly.]

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is intended to clarify that an individual who is certified by the State ~~Board of Physician Quality Assurance~~ as an emergency medical technician-paramedic, also known as an "EMT-P" or "paramedic", is entitled under § 5-309(b)(2)(iii) of the Courts Article to qualified immunity from civil liability for providing emergency assistance or medical care ~~without undergoing a State licensing procedure for paramedics.~~

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October June 1, 1997.

Approved May 22, 1997.