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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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Comm: RCS	.	
03/04/2009	.	
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The Committee on Health Regulation (Jones) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete line 36

and insert:

Section 2. Subsection (1) of section 401.281, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

401.281 Drivers.—

(1) Each licensee is responsible for assuring that its vehicles are driven only by trained, experienced, and otherwise qualified personnel. The licensee must, at a minimum, document that each of its drivers:



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- 12 (a) Is at least 18 years of age;
- 13 (b) Certifies under oath that he or she is not addicted to
14 alcohol or any controlled substance;
- 15 (c) Certifies under oath that he or she is free from any
16 physical or mental defect or disease that might impair his or
17 her ability to drive an ambulance;
- 18 (d) Upon initial designation as a driver, has not, within
19 the past 3 years, been convicted of ~~reckless driving or~~ driving
20 under the influence of alcohol or controlled substances and has
21 not had a driver's license suspended under the point system
22 provided for in chapter 322;
- 23 (e) Possesses a valid driver's license issued under chapter
24 322, is trained in the safe operation of emergency vehicles, and
25 has completed an emergency vehicle operator's course or the
26 reasonable equivalent as approved by the department; however,
27 this paragraph applies only to a driver of a land vehicle;
- 28 (f) Possesses a valid American Red Cross or National Safety
29 Council standard first aid course card or its equivalent; and
- 30 (g) Possesses a valid American Red Cross or American Heart
31 Association cardiopulmonary resuscitation card.

32 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009.

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34 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

35 And the title is amended as follows:

36 Delete lines 2 - 6

37 and insert:

38 An act relating to emergency medical services;
39 amending s. 401.2701, F.S.; providing for the
40 paramedic field internship program to include training



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41 aboard a vehicle permitted to provide advanced life
42 support services; amending s. 401.281, F.S.; revising
43 the documented requirements for a driver of an
44 emergency vehicle; providing an effective