

Emergency Medical Services Working Group

Agenda

September 8, 2022 – 1:00 PM

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- Introductions
- Overview of the legislation (see page 2)
- Public Comment
- Discussion and assignments of legislation as follows:
  - Medicaid and private commercial emergency medical services rates
  - The emergency medical services workforce
  - The provision of emergency medical services, including, but not limited to, the adoption of mobile-integrated health care
  - The provision of emergency medical services in other states
- Next Steps.
- Cadence of Meetings
- Adjourn

**PA 22-118 (HB 5506 Budget) - Section 136** Language:

Sec. 136. (*Effective July 1, 2022*) (a) The Commissioner of Public Health, in collaboration with the Commissioner of Social Services, shall establish a working group on emergency medical services. The working group shall include, but need not be limited to, the commissioners or their designees, representatives of volunteer emergency medical services providers, representatives of municipal or other nonprofit agencies that provide emergency medical services, representatives of hospital-based emergency medical services providers and representatives of for-profit emergency medical services providers. The working group may also include representatives of hospitals, emergency physicians, representatives of long-term care providers, representatives of health carriers and other emergency care providers.

(b) The Commissioner of Public Health shall convene the first meeting of the working group not later than September 1, 2022.

(c) The working group shall examine the following issues: (1) Medicaid and private commercial emergency medical services rates; (2) the emergency medical services workforce; and (3) the provision of emergency medical services, including, but not limited to, the adoption of mobile-integrated health care, and the provision of emergency medical services in other states.

(d) Not later than January 1, 2023, the Commissioner of Public Health, in consultation with the Commissioner of Social Services, shall report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public health with recommendations concerning its findings and recommendations for improvements to the provision of emergency medical services in the state and actions to take to create an effective and sustainable emergency medical services system over a long-term period.