

2012

Act 155 ([S. 106](#))

- Established an EMS special fund administered by DoH
 - For online training opportunities and regional classes to enable individuals to comply with the requirements of subdivision 906(9)(c) of this title.
- Established EMS advisory committee (EMSAC)
 - 14 members, chaired by DoH commissioner
 - Representing EMS, Firefighters, EDs, VLCT, local government
 - Beginning January 1, 2014 and for the ensuing two years, the committee shall report annually to the house commerce, human services, and to senate committees on economic development, housing and general affairs and health and welfare.

2019

Act 91 [H. 742](#) An act relating to Vermont's response to COVID-19

As introduced: **An act relating to grants for emergency medical personnel training**

- Passed House 3/13/2020, Senate amended, House (& Senate) passed 3/25/2020
- Vermont EMS responders answered more than 97,000 calls for service in 2019, and 79% of services reported not having adequate staff.
- Obstacles: cost of training and certification to individuals and districts, inconsistency in the fund application requirements, a burdensome application process, lack of consistent leadership personnel in the form of the State Training Coordinator, an existing position. Also, the appropriation of this funding has not always been needs based, which has led to inequity in where the funds have been distributed around the state.
- Funding mechanism for EMS
 - assessments on various forms of insurance that comprises revenue to the Fire Safety Fund of the Department of Health
 - \$150,000/year is designated from the Fire Safety Fund for the Emergency Medical Services fund to support training and other activities relating to delivery of emergency medical services. DoH is the administrator.
- Last year (2019) the fund had \$375,000 of undistributed training funds.
- EMSAC legislative reports
 - [2019](#)
 - [2020](#)
 - 2013, 14, 15 online; can't find 2016, 17, 18

Act 100 ([S. 182](#)) 2020; House passed in 5/2020

This act contains provisions in response to COVID-19 relating to emergency medical services, electrician and plumber licenses, and sheriff emergency funding. Emergency medical services. Secs. 1–3 eliminate the requirement for emergency medical personnel to be credentialed by their affiliated agency, extend affiliated agency license terms from one to three years, and require the Department of Financial Regulation to enforce the current law requirement for health insurers to directly reimburse ambulance services that provide emergency medical treatment.

[S. 243](#) 2020 **An act relating to establishing the Emergency Service Provider Wellness Commission**

Referred to HHC 5/2020, not taken up

DPS Divisions



BUILDING CODE AND SAFETY SERVICES

ADA Accessibility; Codes and Standards; Municipal Inspection Agreements; Permits and Forms; Resources and Publications



TRADES LICENSING AND CERTIFICATIONS

Boiler; Electrical; Elevator; Gas; Oil; Plumbing; TQP - Fire Alarm, Sprinkler Installer, Sprinkler Designer, Chemical Suppression, Chimney Sweep, Generator



FIRE SERVICE PROGRAMS

Fire Incident Reporting, Local Live Fire Training, Disaster-Related Building Condemnation



VERMONT FIRE ACADEMY

Firefighter Training and Certification; Upcoming Courses; Online Fire Service Training; Candidate Physical Ability Testing



STATE EMERGENCY RESPONSE GROUPS

Fire Investigation; Hazardous Materials Response Team; Tier II (Community-Right-to-Know); Urban Search and Rescue



PUBLIC EDUCATION AND INFORMATION

Fire Safety Public Education, Lessons, Programs, Guides, Equipment, Handouts

Emergency Response

Fire Investigation

Hazardous Materials Response Team (HAZMAT)

Tier II (Community-Right-To-Know)

Urban Search And Rescue (USAR)

Fire Service Programs

Fire Incident Reporting - NFIRS

Local Live Fire Training

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES



Vermont's Emergency Medical Services system – or EMS – responds to medical emergencies every day. EMS is an integrated system for providing emergency medical treatment and transportation of sick and injured patients. The Vermont Office of

Emergency Medical Services works on behalf of Vermonters to ensure that the EMS system is adequately equipped and prepared to provide the best out-of-hospital emergency care possible. There are nearly 180 ambulance and first responder agencies in the state, and most of our nearly 3,000 licensed EMS personnel are volunteers.