

SENATE FILE NO. _____

Emergency medical technicians-retirement study.

Sponsored by: Joint Labor, Health and Social Services
Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to state retirement; providing for a study
2 of the establishment of an emergency medical technician
3 retirement program as specified; requiring a report;
4 providing an appropriation and providing for an effective
5 date.

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7 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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9 **Section 1.**

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11 (a) Fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) is
12 appropriated from the general fund to the department of
13 health for the balance of the fiscal biennium ending June
14 30, 2008 to contract with a certified actuary for a study
15 and development of actuarial information necessary to
16 establish a retirement program for Wyoming emergency

1 medical technicians. The program shall be similar to the
2 volunteer firemen's pension fund established pursuant to
3 W.S. 35-9-601 through 35-9-615. The study shall:

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5 (i) Make an actuarial determination of the costs
6 of a retirement program covering full-time, part-time and
7 volunteer emergency medical technicians in Wyoming;

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9 (ii) Identify possible funding sources for the
10 program;

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12 (iii) Compare the advantages and disadvantages
13 of a defined benefit or a defined contribution plan;

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15 (iv) Identify necessary or recommended
16 differences between an EMT retirement program and the
17 volunteer firemen's pension fund;

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19 (v) Recommend whether the program should be part
20 of an existing retirement plan or an entirely new plan.

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22 (b) The department of health shall report the results
23 of the actuarial study to the joint labor, health and
24 social services interim committee and the joint

1 appropriations interim committee not later than November 1,
2 2007. In addition, the department shall report to the
3 joint labor, health and social services interim committee
4 regarding recommendations for other recruitment and
5 retention incentives for emergency medical technicians,
6 whether administered by the department or otherwise, and
7 the availability of training grants for EMT candidates.

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9 **Section 2.** This act is effective immediately upon
10 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law
11 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming
12 Constitution.

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