A BILL

To temporarily authorize emergency medical technicians to perform certain medical services in hospitals and to declare an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. During the period of the emergency declared by Executive Order 2020-01D, issued on March 9, 2020, and notwithstanding section 4765.36 of the Revised Code, an emergency medical technician-basic, emergency medical technician-intermediate, and emergency medical technician-paramedic may perform medical services in any area of a hospital if the services are performed under the direction and supervision of one of the following:

(A) A physician;

(B) A physician assistant designated by a physician;

(C) A registered nurse designated by a physician.

Section 2. This act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
peace, health, and safety. The reason for such necessity is that, during the period of the COVID-19 emergency, hospitals will need additional health care professionals, including emergency medical technicians, to provide medical services to patients. Therefore, this act shall go into immediate effect.