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To amend sections 4765.36 and 4765.361 of the  
Revised Code to revise the law governing  
emergency medical technicians and the  
performance of certain medical services in  
hospitals.

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

**Section 1.** That sections 4765.36 and 4765.361 of the  
Revised Code be amended to read as follows:

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**Sec. 4765.36.** (A) In a hospital, an emergency medical  
technician-basic, emergency medical technician-intermediate, or  
emergency medical technician-paramedic may perform emergency or  
nonemergency medical services in the locations and under the  
circumstances described in division (B) of this section, but  
only if the services are performed in accordance with both of  
the following conditions:

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~~(A) Only in the hospital's emergency department or while  
moving a patient between the emergency department and another  
part of the hospital;~~

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~~(B) Only under the direction and supervision of one of the  
following:~~

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(1) A physician;

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(2) A physician assistant designated by a physician;	21
(3) A registered nurse designated by a physician.	22
<u>(B) (1) In a hospital's emergency department or while</u>	23
<u>moving a patient between the emergency department and another</u>	24
<u>area of the hospital, an EMT-basic, EMT-I, or paramedic may</u>	25
<u>perform emergency medical services.</u>	26
<u>(2) In any area of a hospital, an EMT-basic, EMT-I, or</u>	27
<u>paramedic, as the case may be under division (B) (2) (a) or (b) of</u>	28
<u>this section, may perform nonemergency medical services, but</u>	29
<u>only if the services are performed in accordance with privileges</u>	30
<u>delineated by the hospital.</u>	31
<u>(a) An EMT-basic, EMT-I, or paramedic may do either of the</u>	32
<u>following:</u>	33
<u>(i) Obtain a patient's vital signs;</u>	34
<u>(ii) Transport a patient, including one who requires</u>	35
<u>continuous monitoring, from one area of the hospital to another.</u>	36
<u>(b) An EMT-I or paramedic may place for a patient a</u>	37
<u>peripheral intravenous line or an intraosseous line, including</u>	38
<u>with the assistance of ultrasound.</u>	39
<u>(C) Division (B) (2) of this section does not prevent an</u>	40
<u>EMT-basic, EMT-I, or paramedic from performing any of the</u>	41
<u>services described in that division when performed as emergency</u>	42
<u>medical services under division (B) (1) of this section.</u>	43
<b>Sec. 4765.361.</b> <u>An</u> <del>In any place or setting other than a</del>	44
<u>hospital, an</u> emergency medical technician-basic, emergency	45
medical technician-intermediate, or emergency medical	46
technician-paramedic may perform <u>as nonemergency medical</u>	47
<u>services any of the emergency medical services that the</u>	48

technician is authorized by law to perform ~~in nonemergency~~ 49  
~~situations~~, but only if the services are performed under the 50  
direction of the technician's medical director or cooperating 51  
physician advisory board. ~~In nonemergency situations~~ Under this 52  
section, no medical director or cooperating physician advisory 53  
board shall delegate, instruct, or otherwise authorize a 54  
~~technician~~ an EMT-basic, EMT-I, or paramedic to perform as a 55  
nonemergency medical service any medical service that the 56  
technician is not authorized by law to perform as an emergency 57  
medical service. 58

**Section 2.** That existing sections 4765.36 and 4765.361 of 59  
the Revised Code are hereby repealed. 60