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A BILL

To temporarily authorize emergency medical 1
technicians to perform certain medical services 2
in hospitals and to declare an emergency. 3

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

Section 1. During the period of the emergency declared by 4
Executive Order 2020-01D, issued on March 9, 2020, and 5
notwithstanding section 4765.36 of the Revised Code, an 6
emergency medical technician-basic, emergency medical 7
technician-intermediate, and emergency medical technician- 8
paramedic may perform medical services in any area of a hospital 9
if the services are performed under the direction and 10
supervision of one of the following: 11

(A) A physician; 12

(B) A physician assistant designated by a physician; 13

(C) A registered nurse designated by a physician. 14

Section 2. This act is hereby declared to be an emergency 15
measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public 16

peace, health, and safety. The reason for such necessity is 17
that, during the period of the COVID-19 emergency, hospitals 18
will need additional health care professionals, including 19
emergency medical technicians, to provide medical services to 20
patients. Therefore, this act shall go into immediate effect. 21