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A BILL

To amend section 4765.16 and to enact section 1
4765.163 of the Revised Code to require 2
emergency medical service personnel to undergo 3
human trafficking-related continuing education. 4

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

Section 1. That section 4765.16 be amended and section 5
4765.163 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows: 6

Sec. 4765.16. (A) All courses offered through an emergency 7
medical services training program or an emergency medical 8
services continuing education program, other than an ambulance 9
driving course and the human trafficking-related course 10
developed under section 4765.163 of the Revised Code, shall be 11
developed under the direction of a physician who specializes in 12
emergency medicine. Each course that deals with trauma care 13
shall be developed in consultation with a physician who 14
specializes in trauma surgery. ~~Except—~~ 15

Except as specified by the state board of emergency 16
medical, fire, and transportation services pursuant to rules 17
adopted under section 4765.11 of the Revised Code, each course 18

offered through a training program or continuing education 19
program shall be taught by a person who holds the appropriate 20
certificate to teach issued under section 4765.23 of the Revised 21
Code. 22

(B) A training program for first responders shall meet the 23
standards established in rules adopted by the board under 24
section 4765.11 of the Revised Code. The program shall include 25
courses in both of the following areas for at least the number 26
of hours established by the board's rules: 27

(1) Emergency victim care; 28

(2) Reading and interpreting a trauma victim's vital 29
signs. 30

(C) A training program for emergency medical technicians- 31
basic shall meet the standards established in rules adopted by 32
the board under section 4765.11 of the Revised Code. The program 33
shall include courses in each of the following areas for at 34
least the number of hours established by the board's rules: 35

(1) Emergency victim care; 36

(2) Reading and interpreting a trauma victim's vital 37
signs; 38

(3) Triage protocols for adult and pediatric trauma 39
victims; 40

(4) In-hospital training; 41

(5) Clinical training; 42

(6) Training as an ambulance driver. 43

Each operator of a training program for emergency medical 44
technicians-basic shall allow any pupil in the twelfth grade in 45

a secondary school who is at least seventeen years old and who 46
otherwise meets the requirements for admission into such a 47
training program to be admitted to and complete the program and, 48
as part of the training, to ride in an ambulance with emergency 49
medical technicians-basic, emergency medical technicians- 50
intermediate, and emergency medical technicians-paramedic. Each 51
emergency medical service organization shall allow pupils 52
participating in training programs to ride in an ambulance with 53
emergency medical technicians-basic, advanced emergency medical 54
technicians-intermediate, and emergency medical technicians- 55
paramedic. 56

(D) A training program for emergency medical technicians- 57
intermediate shall meet the standards established in rules 58
adopted by the board under section 4765.11 of the Revised Code. 59
The program shall include, or require as a prerequisite, the 60
training specified in division (C) of this section and courses 61
in each of the following areas for at least the number of hours 62
established by the board's rules: 63

(1) Recognizing symptoms of life-threatening allergic 64
reactions and in calculating proper dosage levels and 65
administering injections of epinephrine to persons who suffer 66
life-threatening allergic reactions, conducted in accordance 67
with rules adopted by the board under section 4765.11 of the 68
Revised Code; 69

(2) Venous access procedures; 70

(3) Cardiac monitoring and electrical interventions to 71
support or correct the cardiac function. 72

(E) A training program for emergency medical technicians- 73
paramedic shall meet the standards established in rules adopted 74

by the board under section 4765.11 of the Revised Code. The 75
program shall include, or require as a prerequisite, the 76
training specified in divisions (C) and (D) of this section and 77
courses in each of the following areas for at least the number 78
of hours established by the board's rules: 79

(1) Medical terminology; 80

(2) Venous access procedures; 81

(3) Airway procedures; 82

(4) Patient assessment and triage; 83

(5) Acute cardiac care, including administration of 84
parenteral injections, electrical interventions, and other 85
emergency medical services; 86

(6) Emergency and trauma victim care beyond that required 87
under division (C) of this section; 88

(7) Clinical training beyond that required under division 89
(C) of this section. 90

(F) A continuing education program for first responders, 91
EMTs-basic, EMTs-I, or paramedics shall meet the standards 92
established in rules adopted by the board under section 4765.11 93
of the Revised Code. A continuing education program shall 94
include instruction and training in subjects established by the 95
board's rules for at least the number of hours established by 96
the board's rules. The continuing education program also shall 97
include the human trafficking-related course developed under 98
section 4765.163 of the Revised Code. 99

Sec. 4765.163. (A) As used in this section, "human 100
trafficking" has the same meaning as in section 2929.01 of the 101
Revised Code. 102

(B) The state board of emergency medical, fire, and transportation services shall develop a human trafficking-related training course to be included in all emergency medical services continuing education programs approved under section 4765.15 of the Revised Code. 103
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(C) The board shall adopt rules under section 4765.11 of the Revised Code governing the human trafficking-related training course developed under this section. The rules shall require the training course to be not less than one hour of instruction. Completion of the human trafficking-related training course shall count towards satisfactory completion of the emergency medical services continuing education program. 108
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(D) The human trafficking-related training course developed under this section shall include instruction in all of the following: 115
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(1) Identifying possible victims of labor and sex trafficking; 118
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(2) Respectful and effective communication techniques for communicating with possible victims of labor and sex trafficking; 120
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(3) Identifying and reporting incidents of abuse, neglect, and exploitation of possible victims of labor and sex trafficking; 123
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(4) Local and national resources available for possible victims of labor and sex trafficking. 126
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Section 2. That existing section 4765.16 of the Revised Code is hereby repealed. 128
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