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Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:
(PH)

***AN ACT CONCERNING RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE EMERGENCY
MEDICAL SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2014*) No person shall hinder or
2 interfere with a provider when acting as part of an emergency medical
3 service organization that is providing emergency medical care, services
4 or transportation, provided the provider is not engaged in an activity
5 that poses an undue risk of harm to himself or herself or to another
6 person. For purposes of this section, "provider" and "emergency
7 medical service organization" shall have the same meanings as in
8 section 19a-175 of the general statutes.

9 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2014*) A provider, as defined in
10 section 19a-175 of the general statutes, who holds the highest
11 classification of licensure or certification from the Department of
12 Public Health under chapters 368d and 384d of the general statutes
13 shall be responsible for making decisions concerning patient care on
14 the scene of an emergency medical call. If two or more providers on
15 such scene hold the same licensure or certification classification, the

16 provider for the primary service area responder shall be responsible
17 for making such decisions. If all providers on such scene are
18 emergency medical technicians or emergency medical responders, as
19 defined in section 19a-175 of the general statutes, the emergency
20 medical service organization providing transportation services shall be
21 responsible for making such decisions. A provider on the scene of an
22 emergency medical call who has undertaken decision-making
23 responsibility for patient care shall transfer patient care to a provider
24 with a higher classification of licensure or certification upon such
25 provider's arrival on the scene. All providers on the scene shall ensure
26 such transfer takes place in a timely and orderly manner.

27 Sec. 3. Section 53-341b of the general statutes is repealed and the
28 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2014*):

29 (a) No person, firm or corporation shall sell or deliver body armor
30 to another person unless the transferee meets in person with the
31 transferor to accomplish the sale or delivery.

32 (b) The provisions of subsection (a) of this section shall not apply to
33 the sale or delivery of body armor to (1) a sworn member or
34 authorized official of an organized local police department, the
35 Division of State Police within the Department of Emergency Services
36 and Public Protection, the Division of Criminal Justice, the Department
37 of Correction, the Board of Pardons and Paroles or the Department of
38 Motor Vehicles, (2) an authorized official of a municipality or the
39 Department of Administrative Services that purchases body armor on
40 behalf of an organized local police department, the Division of State
41 Police within the Department of Emergency Services and Public
42 Protection, the Division of Criminal Justice, the Department of
43 Correction, the Board of Pardons and Paroles or the Department of
44 Motor Vehicles, (3) an authorized official of the Judicial Branch who
45 purchases body armor on behalf of a probation officer, [or] (4) a
46 member of the National Guard or the armed forces reserve, or (5) a
47 person who is a provider, as defined in section 19a-175, or an

48 authorized official of an emergency medical service organization that
49 is certified or licensed by the Department of Public Health under
50 section 19a-180 on behalf of a provider.

51 (c) As used in this section, "body armor" means any material
52 designed to be worn on the body and to provide bullet penetration
53 resistance.

54 (d) Any person, firm or corporation that violates the provisions of
55 this section shall be guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2014</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2014</i>	New section
Sec. 3	<i>October 1, 2014</i>	53-341b

Statement of Purpose:

To implement the recommendations of the Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]