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Overview

This act moves language defining "volunteer ambulance attendant" from a section governing reimbursements for initial training costs of a volunteer ambulance attendant to a section defining terms for chapter 144E, to make the definition apply to the entire chapter.

- 1 Volunteer ambulance attendant.** Adds subd. 11 to § 144E.001. Defines "volunteer ambulance attendant" as a person who provides emergency medical services for a licensed ambulance service, who does not expect remuneration, and who does not depend on the provision of these services to earn a living. However, a person can be considered a volunteer even if the person receives an hourly stipend for actual services provided or other nominal fee, as long as the stipend and nominal fees are not over \$3,000 within one year of passing the final certification exam. (This language is currently in another section of law, see section 2, and is being moved to the definitions section, with a few changes.)
- 2 Reimbursement provisions.** Amends § 144E.35, subd. 2. Strikes language defining "volunteer ambulance attendant." (This language is moved to the definitions section with a few changes, see section 1.)
- 535** Modify cross-references to the definition of "volunteer ambulance attendant."
- 6 Effective date.** Makes sections 1 to 5 effective the day following final enactment. (Final enactment was March 15, 1999, so these sections were effective March 16, 1999.)