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Overview

This bill requires the registration of automatic external defibrillators (AED) intended to be used or accessed by the public for the benefit of the general public that may happen to be in the vicinity or location of that AED. It provides registration requirements as well as, among other things, requirements for the development of emergency response plans related to the AEDs. The bill does not apply to mobile AEDs or those intended for private use, such as those in public safety agency vehicles or owned or used by hospitals or clinics.

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Automatic External Defibrillation Registration. Adds § 403.51.

Subd. 1. Definitions. Defines key terms used in the bill.

Subd. 2. Registration. Requires registration, within 30 working days of purchase, of any AED intended to be used or accessed by the public for the benefit of the general public. Registration is not required for an AED that is not intended to be used or accessed by the public for the benefit of the general public or an AED located in a vehicle or other non-stationary storage.

Subd. 3. Required information. Requires that the person registering an AED provide information regarding: (1) the manufacturer, model, and serial number; (2) the specific location where the AED will be kept; and (3) contact information for individuals responsible for the AED's maintenance.

Subd. 4. Information changes. States that the owner of the AED is required to

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update information in the AED registry within 30 working days of the change occurring.

Subd. 5. Public access AED requirements. States that any AED intended to be used or accessed by the public for the benefit of the general public may be inspected by a public safety agency with jurisdiction over the location of the AED during regular business hours. Requires the AED to be kept in the specified location in the registration and be reasonably maintained.

Subd. 6. Removal of AED. Allows an authorized agent of a public safety agency with jurisdiction over the location of the AED to direct the AED owner's compliance with this section as well as direct the owner to remove the AED and signs relating to the AED if it is determined that the AED is not ready for immediate use.

Subd. 7. Private use of AED. States that owners of AEDs not intended to be used or accessed by the public for the benefit of the general public are not subject to this section but are encouraged to maintain the AED in a consistent manner.

Subd. 8. AEDs for mobile use. States that owners of AEDs stored in vehicles or otherwise not placed in stationary storage are not subject to this section but are encouraged to maintain the AED in a consistent manner.

Subd. 9. Signs. States that owners of AEDs intended to be used or accessed by the public for the benefit of the general public are encouraged but not required to post signs bearing the universal AED symbol. Disallows a person to post or keep posted a sign if directed to remove a sign by an authorized agent of a public safety agency.

Subd. 10. Emergency response plans. Requires the owner of an AED intended to be used or accessed by the public for the benefit of the general public to develop an emergency response plan appropriate for the nature of the facility.

Subd. 11. No civil liability. States that nothing in this section shall create any civil liability on the part of an AED owner.

Effective date. Provides the bill is effectively retroactively from August 1, 2014.