

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1957**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Benjamin B. Downing***

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to volunteer ambulance service.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Benjamin B. Downing</i>	<i>Berkshire, Hampshire, Franklin and Hampden</i>
<i>Paul W. Mark</i>	<i>2nd Berkshire</i>

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By Mr. Downing, petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Benjamin B. Downing for legislation relative to volunteer ambulance service. Public Health.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**

An Act relative to volunteer ambulance service.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1: Chapter 111c of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out  
2 section 25, as inserted by chapter 188 of the acts of 2010, and inserting in place thereof the  
3 following section:-

4 Section 25. (a) When a class I, II or V ambulance transports a patient receiving care at the  
5 paramedic level of advanced life support the ambulance shall be staffed in accordance with  
6 regulations promulgated by the department, with a minimum of 2 emergency medical  
7 technicians, only 1 of whom shall be certified at the EMT-Paramedic level; provided, however,  
8 that the service staffing a class I, II or V ambulance may staff the ambulance with more than 1  
9 emergency medical technician certified at the EMT-Paramedic level.

10 (b) When a class I, II or V ambulance operated by a volunteer ambulance service  
11 provider transports a patient receiving care at the non-paramedic level of basic life support, the  
12 ambulance shall be staffed in accordance with regulations promulgated by the department, with  
13 at least 1 emergency medical technician who is certified at minimum at the EMT-Basic level,

14 and 1 EMS first responder; provided, however, that the service staffing a class I, II or V  
15 ambulance may staff the ambulance with more than 1 emergency medical technician.

16 SECTION 2: The department of public health shall promulgate such rules and  
17 regulations as are necessary to implement the provisions of this section.