

HOUSE No. 3719

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Nine

An Act Relative to Staffing of Ambulances..

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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary the
2 commissioner of the department of public health is hereby directed to establish regulations
3 regarding the staffing of ambulances based on the following considerations:

4 Emergency services responding to calls in municipalities of 10,000 residents or less can
5 staff an ambulance with 1 first responder acting as driver who is trained in CPR and basic first
6 aid and 1 emergency services technician of a certification level that is appropriate for the needs
7 of the patient.

8 The aforementioned change in regulations shall only apply when the staffing levels
9 regulated in section 170.305 in the Massachusetts Department of Public Health CMR 105
10 cannot be met in sufficient time to answer the emergency call.