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Docket No. 05.0009.1290
ADOPTED W/O HEARING
EMERGENCY RULE
TO REVISOR ON 3-4-92
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✓ Rule as adopted (4 copies)

✓ Notice to Solicit Outside Information/Opinion (if applicable)
March 11, 1991 Date published in State Register
Comments

Petition for Adoption of a Rule

Board's Authorizing Resolution
Date adopted

✓ Proposed Rule
✓ Revisor's Certificate

Notice of Intent to Adopt Rule
144.804 Statutory Authority
NA Small Business Statement
Expenditure of public money statement
Signature need to get signed Notice of Intent

✓ Statement of Need and Reasonableness (if applicable)
✓ Small Business Statement
NA Fees - § 16A.128

✓ Affidavit of Mailing Notice of Intent to Adopt Rule
November 1, 1991 Dated 30/25 days before adoption
✓ Notice attached indicates it is attached
Copy of rule or summary attached

✓ Publication in State Register
Oct 28, 1991 Date 30/25 days before adoption

✓ 180-day deadline from:
✓ Effective date of ~~law~~ requiring rule (14.12) (both rules) amendments don't apply
✓ end of comment period (§ 14.26) (rules without hearing)
effective date of statutory authority (§ 14.29) (emergency rules)

Resolution Adopting
Date adopted

✓ Findings of Fact, Conclusions & Order Adopting
February 4, 1992 Date

Written Requests, Submissions or Comments

✓ Declaration of Attorney
Richard Wexler Name of SAAG representing agency

Notice of Submission to Attorney General (if applicable)

Affidavit of Mailing Notice to Attorney General (if applicable)

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DEPARTMENT: Office of the Attorney General

STATE OF MINNESOTA

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 17, 1992

TO: WAYNE ARROWOOD
Assistant Chief
Emergency Medical Services
Minnesota Department of Health
717 Delaware Street S.E. Box 9441
Minneapolis

FROM: MARY JO MURRAY
Special Assistant Attorney General
525 Park Street, Suite 500 (55103)

PHONE: 296-3258

SUBJECT: In the Matter of the Adopted Rule Relating to Emergency Care Course Certificate Issuance

The above-referenced rule has been approved as to its legality by the Attorney General on March 17, 1992.

Enclosed is your copy of the approved rule. This office has already filed two copies with the Secretary of State, who will forward one copy to the Revisor of Statutes. The fourth is being retained by this division of the Attorney General's Office for its records.

Also enclosed are any petitions, requests, submissions or comments along with any extra copies of documents which you submitted to the Attorney General.

Your next step is to arrange for publication of the Notice of Adoption in the State Register. In a day or two, you should receive from the Revisor's Office three copies of the notice of adoption of your rule. You should submit two copies of the Notice of Adoption to the State Register for publication. A permanent rule without a hearing does not become effective until five days after a notice of adoption is published in the State Register in accordance with Minn. Stat. § 14.27. An emergency rule becomes effective five working days after approval by the Attorney General; however, the agency must publish a notice in the State Register in accordance with Minn. Stat. § 14.34.

If you have any questions in this regard, please contact me.

MJM:jj
Enclosures
cc: Richard A. Wexler
William Brown, Chief Judge
MaryAnn Hruby

Department of Health

Adopted Permanent Rules Relating to Emergency Care Course Certificate Issuance

Rules as Adopted

4690.4600 ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES.

[For text of subps 1 to 6, see M.R.]

Subp. 7. **American Red Cross advanced first aid personnel.** A person certified by the American Red Cross in advanced first aid and emergency care may apply to the commissioner for permission to enroll in an approved emergency care refresher course, by providing documentation which evidences that the person meets the criteria listed in subpart 8. An applicant successfully completing all emergency care refresher course requirements shall be issued an emergency care course certificate by the commissioner.

Subp. 8. **Required documentation.** A person who submits the following is eligible to enroll in an emergency care refresher course:

A. evidence of holding a current American Red Cross advanced first aid and emergency care certificate;

B. evidence of being currently on the roster of an ambulance service licensed by the commissioner and of having a minimum of three years experience as a driver or attendant with an ambulance service licensed by the commissioner; and

C. certification from the medical advisor or medical director of the licensed ambulance service identified in item B for whom the person is currently working, acknowledging that the applicant has current knowledge, training, and skill proficiency in the use of all basic equipment required in a basic life support ambulance.

Subp. 9. **Persons previously completing approved emergency care refresher courses.** The commissioner shall issue an emergency care course certificate to a person who applies and

submits evidence of meeting the requirements of subparts 7 and 8, and of having successfully completed an approved emergency care refresher course after July 1, 1990.

REPEALER. Minnesota Rules, part 4690.4600, subparts 7, 8, and 9 are repealed August 1, 1994.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

March 17 1992

HUBERT H. HUMPHREY, III
ATTORNEY GENERAL

BY Robert Murray
SPECIAL ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL

STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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Joan Anderson Growe
Secretary of State

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Stat Cauthority
144.809 (subd 6)
The commissioner shall promulgate rules defining primary service areas under section 144.801 subdivision 8, under which the commissioner shall designate each licensed ambulance service as serving a primary service area or areas.

end of comment period December 9, 1991

STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF HENNEPIN

BEFORE THE MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

In the Matter of the Proposed Adoption of an Amendment to Part 4690.4600 Relating to the Issuance of Emergency Care Course Certificates to Persons With American Red Cross Advanced First Aid Training

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT RULES WITHOUT A PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Health (hereinafter "Department") intends to adopt without a public hearing the above-entitled amendment to rule by setting forth an alternative way by which a person with American Red Cross Advanced First Aid Training may qualify for an emergency care course certificate, issued by the Commissioner under authority of Minnesota Statute 144.804, subdivision 1 and Minnesota Rule Part 4690.4600. To accomplish this purpose, the Department intends to amend Minnesota Rule Part 4690.4600, by adding new subparts 7, 8, and 9 without a public hearing, following the procedures set forth in the Administrative Procedures Act in Minnesota Statute 14.22 to 14.28 (1990). The statutory authority to adopt the rule is Minnesota Statute 144.804.

All persons have until Monday, December 9, 1991, to submit comment in support of or in opposition to the proposed rule or any part or subpart of the proposed rule. Comment is encouraged. Each comment should identify the portion of the proposed rule addressed, the reason for the comment, and any change proposed.

Any person may make a written request for a public hearing on the rule within the comment period, ending December 9, 1991. If twenty-five (25) or more persons submit a written request for a public hearing within the comment period, a public hearing will be held unless a sufficient number withdraw their requests in writing. Any person requesting a public hearing should state his or her name and address and is encouraged to identify the portion of the proposed rule addressed, the reason for the request, and any change proposed. If a public hearing is required, the Department will proceed pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sections 14.131 to 14.20 (1990).

Comments or written requests for a public hearing must be submitted to:

Wayne Arrowood, Assistant Chief
Emergency Medical Services Section
Minnesota Department of Health
717 Delaware Street Southeast Box 9441
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55440
Telephone: (800) 747-2011 or (612) 623-5482

The proposed rule amendment may be modified if the modifications are supported by data and views submitted to the Department, and do not result in a substantial change in the proposed rule as noticed.

The rule authorizes a person certified by the American Red Cross in advanced first aid and emergency care to apply to the Commissioner for permission to enroll in an approved emergency care refresher course, by providing documentation as follows:

1) Evidence of holding a current American Red Cross advanced first aid and emergency care certificate;
2) Evidence of being currently on the roster of an ambulance service licensed by the commissioner and of having a minimum of three years experience as a driver or attendant with an ambulance service licensed by the commissioner; and
3) Certification from the medical advisor or medical director of the licensed ambulance service identified in item 2) for whom the person is currently working, acknowledging that the applicant has current knowledge, training, and skill proficiency in the use of all basic equipment required in a basic life support ambulance.

The commissioner will issue an emergency care course certificate to a person who applies and submits evidence of meeting the above requirements, and who has successfully completed an approved emergency care refresher course after July 1, 1990.

This proposed rule will be repealed on August 1, 1994.

A copy of the proposed rule is included as part of this notice.

A Statement of Need and Reasonableness that describes the need for and reasonableness of the proposed amendment, and identifies the data and information relied upon to support the proposed rule

amendment has been prepared and is available from Wayne Arrowood upon request to the above address.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statute Section 14.115, subdivision 2, the impact on small businesses has been considered in the promulgation of this rule amendment. The Department's analysis and position regarding the impact of the amendment on small businesses is set forth in the Statement of Need and Reasonableness. Anyone wishing to present evidence or argument as to the amendment's effect on small businesses is encouraged to do so.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statute Section 14.115, subdivision 4(c), the Department, in order to provide an opportunity for small businesses to participate in the rule making process, will mail copies of the proposed rule amendment and this Notice to all licensed ambulance services, and to institutions approved to offer emergency care courses within the state. These services and institutions are encouraged to comment.

If no hearing is required, upon adoption of the amendment, the amendment and the required supporting documents will be submitted to the Attorney General for review as to legality and form to the extent the form relates to legality. Any person may request notification of the date of submission to the Attorney General. Persons who wish to be advised of the submission of this material to the Attorney General or who wish to receive a copy of the adopted amendment must submit a written request to Wayne Arrowood at the above address.

Dated: October 11, 1991

Marlene E. Marschall
Commissioner of Health

SF-00006-05 (4/86)

DEPARTMENT : ATTORNEY GENERAL

STATE OF MINNESOTA

Office Memorandum

DATE : March 2, 1992

TO : PATRICIA NOLTE
Legal Assistant
Public Finance

Rec 3-3-92

FROM : RICHARD A. WEXLER
Assistant Attorney General

PHONE : 297-5934

SUBJECT : In the Matter of the Proposed Adoption of an Amendment to Part 4690.4600 Relating to the Issuance of Emergency Care Course Certificates to Persons with American Red Cross Advanced First Aid Training

Enclosed for your review, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 14.26 (1990) and Minn. Rules pt. 2010.0300 (1991), are the following documents to support the above-referenced rule:

1. Notice Of Intent to Solicit Outside Opinion (as published in the State Register);

2. Rules as proposed with a certificate of approval as to form from the Revisor of Statutes attached;

3. Notice Of Intent To Adopt Rules Without A Public Hearing (as mailed);

4. Statement Of Need And Reasonableness;

5. Affidavit Of Mailing The Notice Of Intent To Adopt Rules Without A Public Hearing And Certificate of Mailing List;

6. Notice Of Intent To Adopt Rules Without A Public Hearing (as published in the State Register);

7. Letter submitting Statement Of Need And Reasonableness to the Legislative Commission to Review Legislative Rules;

8. Rules as adopted (original and three copies);

9. Findings Of Fact, Conclusions, And Order Adopting Rules;

10. Declaration Of Counsel;

11. Comment received pursuant to the Notice Of Intent To Solicit Outside Opinion; and

12. Comments received pursuant to the Notice Of Intent To Adopt Rules Without A Public Hearing.

No person requested to be notified when the rulemaking record was submitted to the Attorney General's Office. In addition, the Department did not receive any requests for a hearing.

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Enclosures

cc: Wayne Arrowood

The statute provides certain exceptions. Questions should be directed to the Ethical Practices Board, 625 North Robert Street, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101, telephone (612) 296-5148.

Dated: 22 February 1991

621.21 ACTIVATION OF MARKET ASSISTANCE PLAN AND JOINT UNDERWRITING ASSOCIATION.

At any time the commissioner of commerce deems it necessary to provide assistance with respect to the placement of general liability insurance coverage on Minnesota risks for a class of business, the commissioner shall by notice in the *State Register* activate the market assistance plan and the joint underwriting association. The plan and association are activated for a period of 180 days from publication of the notice. At the same time the notice is published, the commissioner shall prepare a written petition requesting that a hearing be held to determine whether activation of the market assistance plan and the joint underwriting association is necessary beyond the 180-day period. The hearing must be held in accordance with section 621.22. The commissioner by order shall deactivate the market assistance program and the joint underwriting association at any time the commissioner finds that the market assistance program and the joint underwriting association are not necessary.

621.22 HEARING

Subdivision 1. ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE. The commissioner shall forward a copy of the petition to activate the market assistance plan and the joint underwriting association with respect to a class of business to the chief administrative law judge. The chief administrative law judge shall, within three business days or receipt of the copy of the petition, set a hearing date, assign an administrative law judge to hear the matter, and notify the commissioner of the hearing date and administrative law judge assigned to the matter. The hearing date must be no less than 60 days nor more than 90 days from the date of receipt of the petition by the chief administrative law judge.

Subd. 2. NOTICE. The commissioner of commerce shall publish notice of the hearing in the *State Register* at least 30 days before the hearing date. The notice should be that used for rulemaking under chapter 14. Approval by the administrative law judge of the notice prior to publication is not required. The notice must contain a statement that anyone wishing to oppose activation beyond 180 days for any particular class, must file a petition to intervene with the administrative law judge at least ten days before the hearing date. If no notice to intervene is filed for a class then the class is activated beyond the 180 day period without further action.

Subd. 3. CONTESTED CASE; REPORT. The hearing and all matters after the hearing are a contested case under chapter 14. Within 45 days from the commencement of the hearing and within 15 days of the completion of the hearing of the administrative law judge shall submit a report to the commissioner of commerce. The parties, or the administrative law judge, if the parties cannot agree, shall adjust all time requirements under the contested case procedure to conform with the 45 day requirement.

Subd. 4. DECISION. The commissioner shall make a decision within ten days of the receipt of the administrative law judge's report.

Subd. 5. WAIVER OF MODIFICATION. If all parties to the proceeding agree, any of the requirements of this section may be waived or modified.

Subd. 6. CASE PRESENTATION. The department of commerce, upon request by small businesses as defined by section 14.115, subdivision 1, shall assist small businesses in any specific class requesting continuation of coverage beyond the 180 day period, in coordinating the class and presenting the case in the contested hearing.

Department of Health

Notice of Intent to Solicit Outside Opinion Regarding a Proposed Rule Change to Permit American Red Cross Advanced First Aid Personnel to Enroll in An Approved Emergency Care Refresher Course and for Registration as a State Certified Emergency Medical Technician

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Health is seeking information or opinions from sources outside the agency in preparation to amend those portions of *Minnesota Rules*, Chapter 4690, relating to certification as an emergency medical technician. The promulgation of this proposed rule change is authorized by *Minnesota Statutes*, section 144.804, subdivision 3.

The proposed amendment to rule would permit a qualified person certified by the American Red Cross to apply to the Commissioner of Health for enrollment in an approved emergency care refresher course and for registration as a state-certified emergency medical technician. Applicants would qualify for enrollment in a refresher training program by providing evidence of the following: 1) A current American Red Cross Advanced First Aid Certificate; 2) Currently on the roster of a licensed ambulance service, with a minimum of three years experience as a driver or attendant; 3) Documentation by the medical advisor or medical director of the licensed ambulance service that the applicant has current knowledge and training in the use of all basic equipment required in a basic ambulance.

Upon successful completion of the approved emergency care refresher course, including written and practical examinations, the applicant would be eligible for state certification as an emergency medical technician.

Persons meeting the above listed requirements, currently enrolled in or having previously completed approved emergency care refresher courses, would be considered for registration as state-certified emergency medical technician status under provisions of this proposed rule.

Any person who would like a copy of the revisions to *Minnesota Rules*, Chapter 4690, currently under consideration should submit a request to Wayne Arrowood at the address listed below. All interested or affected parties are requested to submit information or comment regarding the proposals. Statements of information and comment may be made orally or in writing (preferred) until the formal rule-making notice to adopt rules with or without a public hearing is published. Oral statements will be received during regular business hours over the telephone at 1-800-747-2011 (Greater Minnesota) or (612) 623-5482 (Metro) and in person at the address listed below. Written statements of information and comment must be addressed to:

Wayne Arrowood, Assistant Chief
Emergency Medical Services
Minnesota Department of Health
717 Delaware Street S.E. Box 9441
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55440

Any written material received by the Department of Health shall become part of the record to be submitted to the Attorney General or administrative law judge in the event that the proposed rule amendments are adopted.

Dated: 5 March 1991

John F. McCally
Commissioner of Health

Higher Education Facilities Authority

Notice of Public Hearing on Proposal to Issue Revenue Bonds

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held by the Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority (the "Authority") with respect to a proposal to issue revenue bonds on behalf of the **College of Saint Scholastica, Inc.,** a Minnesota nonprofit corporation, as owner and operator of the College of St. Scholastica, an institution of higher education (the "College"), at the Authority's offices at Suite 450 Galtier Plaza, 175 East Fifth Street, St. Paul, Minnesota on March 27, 1991 at 2 o'clock p.m. Under the proposal, the Authority would issue its revenue bonds in an aggregate principal amount of up to approximately $4,500,000 to provide financing for a Project generally described as (a) (i) the acquisition, construction, furnishing and equipping of an approximately 21,300 square foot, 500 seat auditorium for performances, lectures, and seminars, with an approximately 13,900 square foot lower level addition for additional study, dining, mailroom and lounge use, and (ii) the acquisition, construction, furnishing and equipping of an approximately 5,900 square foot addition to Tower Hall for a new receiving dock, freight elevator, recycling center, and office space, and (iii) renovation, expansion, furnishing and equipping the existing student bookstore, and (iv) renovation, expansion, furnishing and equipping the existing theatre facility, each including site improvements, and (b) the refunding of the $1,065,000 Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority Revenue Bonds, Series Two-L, the proceeds of which were used to finance renovation, expansion, furnishing and equipping the College's library; and all to be located on the campus of the College, and owned and operated by the College, whose street address is College of St. Scholastica, 1200 Kenwood Avenue, Duluth, Minnesota, 55811. At said time and place the Authority shall give all parties who appear or submit comments in writing an opportunity to express their views with respect to the proposal to undertake and finance the Project.

BY ORDER OF THE MINNESOTA HIGHER EDUCATION FACILITIES AUTHORITY

Joseph E. LaBelle
Executive Director

Housing Finance Agency

Applications Accepted for the 1991 Federal Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program

Introduction

The Minnesota Housing Finance Agency (MHFA) is pleased to announce that it is accepting first competition applications for reservation and allocation of the Low Income Housing Tax Credits, authorized by the Federal Tax Reform Act of 1986 as revised.

STATE OF MINNESOTA

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROPOSED ADOPTION OF AN AMENDMENT TO PART 4690.4600 RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF EMERGENCY CARE COURSE CERTIFICATES TO PERSONS WITH AMERICAN RED CROSS ADVANCED FIRST AID TRAINING

STATEMENT OF NEED AND REASONABLENESS

I. Introduction and Statutory Authority

The function of ambulance service in Minnesota is to transport ill and injured persons to destinations where appropriate treatment can be rendered. Licensed ambulance services are required by Minnesota Statute Section 144.804, subdivision 1, to utilize properly trained attendants certified by the Commissioner of Health ("Commissioner"). These persons are expected to perform skills appropriate to a standard of care consistent with acceptable quality prehospital care within the state. These skills obtained are obtained by completion of standard curriculum available through training institutions approved by the Commissioner.

The certification of these attendants is conducted under authority of Minnesota Statute Section 144.804, subdivision 1 and Minnesota Rules parts 4690.3900 -.5100. The statute provides in part:

> No publicly or privately owned basic ambulance service shall be operated in the state unless its drivers and attendants possess a current emergency care course certificate authorized by rules adopted by the commissioner of health...

The Commissioner certifies persons as having completed an emergency care course if they have successfully completed an approved training program, including a written and practical examination. Re-certification is required every two years. The rule provisions relating to certification are set forth in Minnesota Rules part 4690.4600.

The existing rules specify one method by which a person may obtain an emergency care course certificate. The amendments to part 4690.4600 proposed in this proceeding set forth an alternative way by which a person may qualify for a certificate. This alternative, for reasons explained below, will be available only through August 1, 1994.

II. Compliance with Procedural Rule-Making Requirements

A. General Procedures

The proposed rule amendment was developed as a result of discussions and subsequent recommendations regarding a larger set of proposed rule revisions submitted to the Commissioner by the former Emergency Medical Services Statewide Advisory Task Force in June, 1990. In order to hasten the promulgation of this particular rule amendment, it has been removed from the larger

set of proposed rule revisions and a non-controversial rule-making process has been initiated. To prepare the proposed amendment, the Department of Health followed procedures mandated by the Minnesota Administrative Procedures Act. A notice to solicit outside opinion concerning the proposed amendment was published in the State Register on Monday, March 11, 1991 (see 15 S.R. 2051). Following publication of the notice of intent to solicit outside opinion, comments received were reviewed and considered by staff of the Department of Health's Community Health Services Division, Section of Emergency Medical Services prior to publication of the notice of intent to adopt the proposed rule in the State Register. A summary of those comments appears later in this document.

The Department is proceeding under Minnesota Statute 14.22 to 14.28 relating to the adoption of rules without a public hearing. Notice of the Department's intent to adopt these rule amendments will be published in the State Register, mailed to persons who have registered with the Department pursuant to Minnesota Statute Section 14.14, subdivision 1a, and mailed to other parties the Department believes will have an interest in these amendments. This Statement of Need and Reasonableness was made available to the public before the date of the Department's notice to adopt the amendments and was sent to the Legislative Commission to Review Administrative Rules. If 25 or more people

request a hearing on the amendments during the comment period, a hearing will be held under separate notice.

This statement of need and reasonableness must be read within the context of the proposed rule amendment. A copy of the proposed amendment is available from the Emergency Medical Services Section, Minnesota Department of Health, 717 Delaware Street Southeast, Box 9441, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55440-9441, telephone (612) 623-5482.

B. Minnesota Statutes Section 14.11 Requirements

The proposed amendments will not require the expenditure of public money by local public bodies in excess of $100,000 in either of the two years immediately following their adoption. Accordingly, the Department does not have to comply with the notice provisions of Minnesota Statute Section 14.11, subdivision 1. The primary basis for this conclusion is that the rule does not require the expenditure of any funds by local public bodies. The extent that local public bodies voluntarily assume the obligation to pay for training of its ambulance personnel, the rule provides a less expensive alternative for ambulance personnel to be certified by the commissioner than what now exists in rule. In addition, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 144.8091, local public bodies which operate ambulance services utilizing volunteer staff are reimbursed by the Commissioner of Health for the training a person must undergo in

order to be an ambulance attendant. The training required by these proposed rule amendments would be reimbursable under section 144.8091. Even if this situation were considered to come within the scope of Minnesota Statute Section 14.11, subdivision 1, local municipalities still would not have to expend over $100,000 in either of the two years immediately following adoption.

Based on figures accumulated by the Department of Health in August, 1991, one hundred-eighty five (185), or 60% of all licensed ambulance services are operated by local public bodies. A little over ten percent (642 persons) of all ambulance personnel are American Red Cross trained and eligible for certification, if they meet all the other requirements, under this proposed rule amendment. The emergency care refresher course costs between approximately $125.00 and $160.00. The Department does not know how many of the 642 persons work for ambulance services operated by local public bodies. However, if it is assumed, based on the percentages stated above, that sixty percent of the American Red Cross trained persons (385) work for ambulance services operated by local public bodies and that all 385 persons pursue the option provided by these proposed amendments, the cost to local public bodies at $160.00 would be only $61,600, well below the $100,000 specified in Minnesota Statutes, Section 14.11. While it is possible that more than

sixty percent of the American Red Cross trained personnel work for local public body operated ambulance services, it would take 625 of them taking the course at $160.00 to reach the $100,000. There is no evidence to support this conclusion. Accordingly, the provisions of Section 14.11 do not apply.

The proposed amendments also will not have any impact on agricultural land. Thus, the requirements of Minnesota Statutes Section 14.11 do not apply to this rule making proceeding.

C. Impact on Small Businesses

Minnesota Statutes, Section 14.115, requires state agencies to give special consideration to small businesses when promulgating rules. It is the Department's position that Section 14.115 does not apply to this set of rule amendments.

Subdivision 7 of Section 14.115 exempts from the section's requirements "service businesses regulated by government bodies, for standards and costs, such as nursing homes, long-term care facilities, hospitals, providers of medical care, day care centers, group homes, and residential care facilities...." Ambulance services fall squarely within this provision. They are "small businesses," specifically "providers of medical care," which are "regulated by government bodies, for standards and costs." The standards regulation is performed by the Department of Health pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 144.801,

et.seq. The cost regulation comes under the Medicare and Medicaid programs. With respect to Section 14.115, ambulance services are identical to nursing homes, long-term care facilities, and hospitals, all of which are explicitly exempted from the provisions of this section.

Nevertheless, should it be determined that Section 14.115 does apply to this set of proposed rule amendments, the Department provides the following information in compliance with its provisions.

Minnesota Statute Section 14.115, Subdivision 2, requires a state agency to consider the methods for reducing the impact of proposed state rules on small businesses within the state. The Department's consideration of the five factors is as follows:

1) The establishment of less stringent compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses.

Under Minnesota Rule part 4690.4600, in order to serve as an ambulance driver or attendant, a person must receive from the Commissioner a certificate for successfully completing an approved emergency care course. This is a 110-hour course. However, a number of ambulance services, especially in Greater Minnesota, have personnel who have not completed the 110-hour course but who have received American Red Cross training in advanced first aid and emergency care. These persons, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 144.804, subdivision 1, may serve

as drivers until August 1, 1994, or may be an attendant if necessary to ensure twenty-four hour emergency ambulance coverage under a variance granted by the Commissioner. The proposed amendments will establish less stringent compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses by enabling these American Red Cross trained personnel who meet specified standards to take only a twenty-four hour emergency care refresher course in order to receive from the Commissioner a certificate for successfully completing an emergency care course. This certification will enable these persons to be fully recognized as ambulance drivers and attendants even after August 1, 1994, and will also eliminate the need to qualify them through the variance process. In addition, as is explained below in the justification for the amendment, this proposal will enable small businesses to meet the requirements of Section 144.804 in a manner which will still assure that ambulance staff are well-trained, but will avoid an unnecessary training requirement for appropriate personnel.

2) The establishment of less stringent schedules or deadlines for compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses.

Biennial renewal of the variance referenced above for advanced first aid trained personnel would no longer be required. These persons would be reported on the roster of the licensed ambulance service as fully certified attendants.

3) The consolidation or simplification of compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses.

Less paperwork and at least one less form will be required of small businesses operating licensed ambulance services. The form to be deleted will be the application for variance for persons who have training in American Red Cross advanced first aid and emergency care. This form is currently used to certify that these persons have been trained in the use of all equipment and procedures necessary for attendants of basic ambulance services. This form will no longer be necessary once all personnel are fully certified as ambulance attendants.

4) The establishment of performance standards for small businesses to replace design or operational standards required in the rule.

This provision in this statute is not applicable to the proposed rule. There are no design or operational standards in the proposed rule.

5) The exemption of small businesses from any or all requirements of the rule.

It would be counter to the concept of public protection offered by the licensure of ambulance services and the provision of services by properly trained personnel functioning as attendants on ambulances, as required by Minnesota Statute 144.801 et. seq. to exempt ambulances from the requirement that

they have attendants with proper training. Subdivision 3 of Minnesota Statute 14.115 affirms the need to not exempt small businesses from the requirements of this proposed rule, because doing so would be contrary to the statutory objectives that are the basis of the proposed rule amendments.

In summary, this proposed rule amendment does not require any small business to change the way it operates. It does allow American Red Cross advanced first aid and emergency care personnel to combine previous training and experience with additional training so that they may be fully upgraded at this time to be certified as ambulance attendants. The proposed rule will not burden licensed ambulance services with new expenditures that will be detrimental to their continued operation. Instead, the proposed rule will make it easier for ambulance services to operate.

Minnesota Statute Section 14.115, Subdivision 4, requires the state agency to provide the opportunity for small businesses to participate in the rule-making process. This requirement will be satisfied by mailing the notice of intent to adopt these rule amendments to all licensed ambulance services within the state (see Minnesota Statute Section 14.115, subdivision 4(c).

III. Need and Reasonableness of the Proposed Rule Amendment

Prior to 1989, Minnesota Statute Section 144.804,

subdivision 1 provided that drivers and attendants of basic ambulance services had to possess a "current advanced American Red Cross first aid certificate or other first aid or emergency care certificate authorized by rules adopted by the ... commissioner...." In 1989, the legislature, in an effort to upgrade the qualifications of ambulance attendants and drivers and in recognition of the creation of emergency care courses, amended the provisions of section 144.804. The amendment changed the ambulance staffing training requirement. Under the change, ambulance attendants and drivers have to "possess a current emergency care course certificate authorized by rules adopted by the commissioner..." (Minnesota Laws 1989, Chapter 134, section 6). The emergency care course which ambulance staff must take in order to obtain the required certificate is identified in Minnesota Rules parts 4690.3900 to 4690.5100, rules promulgated by the Commissioner. However, at the time of upgrading the requirements for staff training in 1989, the legislature also recognized that there had to be a transition period to enable existing ambulance staff who had the American Red Cross training to take the emergency care course. To accomplish this, the legislature created a five year window during which ambulance services could use American Red Cross trained persons who were qualified to use basic life support ambulance equipment and procedures. These persons could function as ambulance drivers,

or, under variance to their license granted by the Commissioner, to serve as the attendant if necessary to ensure 24-hour emergency ambulance coverage (Minnesota Laws 1989, chapter 134, section 6 and Minnesota Laws 1990, chapter 568, article 2, section 11).

Against this statutory backdrop, ambulance services, especially those in more rural areas, brought to the Department's attention a concern about the difficulty existing staff, who are often volunteers, would have finding the time and money to cover the cost of the 110-hour emergency care course in order to obtain the required certificate by August 1, 1994. This situation was further highlighted by the fact that these staff members had been providing quality care for a significant period of time.

A proposal to address this situation was set forth by the former Statewide Emergency Medical Services Advisory Task Force, which recognized both the concerns of existing ambulance service staff as well as the intent of the legislature to upgrade the training of drivers and attendants of licensed ambulance services. This proposal, set forth in these proposed amendments, to Minnesota Rule, part 4690.4600, reflect that the American Red Cross training, at least three years of experience on an ambulance staff, current knowledge and ability to use basic life support ambulance equipment, plus the successful completion of a 24-hour emergency care refresher course, when taken together,

constitute a reasonable equivalent to the 110 hour emergency care course now required in order to be certified as an ambulance driver or attendant.

It should be noted that Minnesota Statute Section 144.804, subdivision 1 also provides for persons who have successfully completed the United States Department of Transportation first responder curriculum to also function as drivers of licensed ambulance services. This proposed rule amendment does not address these persons because Minnesota Statutes Section 144.809, subdivision 2 addresses the issue of upgrading these personnel to basic emergency care course certificates. By August 1, 1994, the commissioner must adopt rules authorizing the equivalence of certain criteria enumerated in Section 144.809, subdivision 2, toward successful completion of the commissioner's basic emergency care course.

The Commissioner, under Minnesota Statute Section 144.804, subdivision 1, has been granted the authority to determine by rule what shall constitute the "current emergency care course certificate" which each ambulance staff member must possess. The certificate created by these rule amendments will bridge the gap between the pre- and post-1988 training requirements. Because these bridge-the-gap amendments will expire on August 1, 1994, the ambulance services are put on notice that all new staff must take and possess the 110-hour emergency care course. A more

detailed explanation of the substance of Minnesota Rule, part 4690.4600, subparts 7 to 10. the proposed rule amendments, follows.

The proposed amendment to Minnesota Rule part 4690.4600 would permit a person who meets the criteria and standards noted below to receive an emergency care course certificate from the Commissioner. The justification for the criteria follows:

1) The person must be currently certified by the American Red Cross in advanced first aid and emergency care.

As explained above, the holding of an American Red Cross advanced first aid and emergency care certificate was for years the sole requirement for serving as an ambulance attendant or driver. In obtaining this certificate, persons received basic training in emergency care. Training in emergency care is essential to serving on the staff of an ambulance.

2) The person must be on the roster of an ambulance service licensed by the Commissioner.

That the person be currently on an ambulance service roster goes to the very heart of the amendment. The amendment is proposed solely to help those American Red Cross trained individuals who have been working as ambulance service drivers and attendants remain on staff after August 1, 1994, without having to complete the 110-hour emergency care course. Such a person would be in direct contact with the current day-to- day

operation of an ambulance service. The ambulance service for which the person is working must be licensed in Minnesota because the existing rule currently provides a method for out-of-state applicants to be certified (see Minnesota Rule part 4690.4600, subpart 3).

3) The person must have three years experience as a driver or attendant with an ambulance service licensed by the Commissioner.

The Statewide EMS Advisory Task Force recommended that in order for a person to receive an emergency care course certificate without taking the 110-hour emergency care course, not only must the person be currently on the staff of an ambulance service, but also that the person have at least three years experience as a driver or attendant. As noted above, the purpose of the proposed amendments is not to enable ambulance services to evade the statutory deadline of August 1, 1994, by which time all drivers and attendants must possess an emergency care course certificate issued by the Commissioner. The purpose of the amendments is to enable staff to be certified who have experience, skill, and training to perform emergency services equivalent to the 110-hour course, which will enable them to remain on staff after the August 1, 1994 deadline. This is being accomplished by establishing criteria which, by combining experience and training, will be equivalent to the 110-hour

emergency care course. A crucial part of the equivalence requirement is experience. Three years provides an individual with sufficient time to learn and demonstrate an ongoing ability to properly use all basic life support equipment and to otherwise function as an attendant or driver. Three years is also a sufficient period of time to demonstrate that a person is committed to emergency care on a long term basis.

4) The person must present evidence in the form of a statement from the medical director or medical advisor that s/he has current knowledge, training, and skill in the use of basic life support equipment.

American Red Cross training and three years experience does not guarantee that a person actually knows how to use basic life support equipment. Documentation from the ambulance service medical director or medical advisor helps assure that a person has basic ability to function as a driver or attendant. To truly benefit from the 24-hour emergency care refresher course, the person must already have a basic understanding of and ability to perform emergency care. With this foundation of knowledge, the refresher course will be truly useful. When the existing knowledge and ability are coupled with the additional training, it is reasonable to equate this to being the equivalent of the 110-hour emergency care course.

5) The person must successfully complete the 24-hour

emergency care refresher course.

The course, the content of which is detailed below, provides an overview of knowledge needed to provide emergency care and covers the more crucial subject areas also addressed in the 110-hour emergency care course. It is the Commissioner's position that when the refresher course is coupled with the four factors discussed above, a person will have the equivalent training of the 110-hour emergency care course. Indeed, it would not be unreasonable to assume that a person who meets the five criteria will be better equipped to respond to emergencies than a person who has only completed the 110-hour emergency care course training, because the former person will have had a minimum of three years experience of providing emergency care services. Experience, when combined with training, is often more valuable than training alone.

The basic thrust of the amendments is to require that a person demonstrate that s/he meet the first four criteria discussed above before being permitted to take the 24-hour refresher course. However, when the Statewide EMS Advisory Task Force made its recommendation in June, 1990, which is embodied in this proposed amendment, some persons who did not understand the need to have the recommendation promulgated as rule proceeded in good faith to take the 24-hour refresher course. It is for this reason that the proposed amendment also allows persons who

completed the 24-hour refresher course after July 1, 1990, and who comply with the four criteria above receive an emergency care course certificate. See proposed Minnesota Rule, part 4690.4600, subpart 9.

For comparative purposes, the following information outlines the requirements of the current 110-hour emergency care course, the 24-hour emergency care refresher course, and the American Red Cross advanced first aid course (approximately 52 hours):

A. The American Red Cross advanced first aid course curriculum includes the following: wound care; injury care of the eye, head, face, neck, chest, abdomen, extremities; treatment of shock; respiratory emergencies and artificial respiration, including water accidents; poisoning; drug use and abuse; burns, exposure to radiation; heat and cold exposure; bone and joint injuries; splinting, dressings, and bandages; sudden onset of illness; emergency childbirth; lifting and carrying, including the use of backboards; extrication techniques from vehicles.

B. The 110-hour emergency care course contains all of the subject matter listed in (A) above, plus the following: overview of anatomy and physiology; practical skill training in patient assessment; complete cardiopulmonary resuscitation skills for adults, children, and infants; practical use of airway management adjuncts, including suction devices, oxygen delivery systems, and

resuscitation devices; use of medical anti-shock garments; psychological aspects of emergency care; hazardous material situations; practical lab principles of extrication from vehicles and other potentially inaccessible situations; ambulance operations including record-keeping, reports, and radio communications; situational review and practice in staged emergency scenarios; a minimum of ten hours in-hospital observation and training, including familiarization with emergency, surgical, intensive care, obstetrical, and psychiatric areas of a general hospital; a final written test; a final practical evaluation of hands-on skills.

The 110-hour emergency care course emphasizes practical skills and the use of all equipment used on ambulances. It includes eight hours of direct physician participation through lectures and demonstration of patient assessment skills. Other medical professionals teach various segments of specialty care, such as respiratory therapists, registered nurses, and paramedics.

C. The 24-hour emergency care refresher course provides at least twenty hours of instruction and four hours of testing in all of the subjects listed in (A) and (B) above. Emphasis is generally placed on patient assessment skills during emergency situations. Instruction must be provided in cardiopulmonary resuscitation by one and two persons, infant resuscitation, and

management of the obstructed airway in conscious and unconscious persons. A written and a practical examination must be passed in order to successfully complete the emergency care refresher course.

The proposed rule will acknowledge those persons currently certified in American Red Cross advanced first aid, that is, having successfully completed an American Red Cross advanced first aid course. It recognizes experienced personnel, with at least three years of active service on the roster of a licensed ambulance service. It also recognizes the fact these persons have been trained and tested under the supervision of a medical director or medical advisor of a licensed ambulance service in all of the skills and equipment required by a basic ambulance service, and not taught in the American Red Cross advanced first aid course. These factors taken together compare favorably with the content of the current 110-hour emergency care course, and will enable the person certified in advanced first aid by the American Red Cross to qualify for admission to a 24-hour emergency care refresher course administered by the Department of Health.

Written comments in response to this proposed amendment to rule have been received from the following:

1) James J. Langenbrunner, Assistant Director of Public Safety, Cloquet Fire and Ambulance, Cloquet, Minnesota. Mr.

Langenbrunner expresses concern that the skills learned in the 110-hour emergency care course cannot be done in an Advanced Red Cross Course. He feels that permitting this proposed rule to be approved may result in a lowering of standards of patient care.

The Department's response to this comment is that the proposed rule does not substitute just the American Red Cross course for the 110-hour emergency course, as explained above. What the Department is setting forth in the proposed amendment as being the equivalent of the 110-hour emergency care course is not only the American Red Cross training, but also the 24-hour emergency care refresher course, three years experience, current placement on the roster of an ambulance service, and verification of ability to use basic life support ambulance equipment.

2) Mark Abrahamson, Health Director, Grand Portage Health Service, Grand Portage Reservation, Grand Portage, Minnesota. Mr. Abrahamson is in support of the proposed amendment, citing his experience first hand with the high skill level of experienced Advanced First Aid personnel. He cites the difficulty in recruiting persons in rural areas to complete the full 110-hour emergency care course.

3) Kathy Lande, President, Gunflint Trail Rescue Squad, Gunflint Trail, Grand Marais, Minnesota 55604. Ms. Lande is strongly in favor of the proposed rule change. She cites the all volunteer staff of the rescue squad as anticipating the step up

to emergency medical technician by its experienced Advanced Red Cross personnel. This proposed rule change will enable all members of the squad, serving this remote rural area of Minnesota, to be fully certified by the Commissioner.

4) Susan Kerfoot, Box 100GT, Grand Marais, Minnesota. Ms. Kerfoot is strongly in favor of the proposed rule change. She cites the current situation in her community, where several members of the Gunflint Trail Rescue Squad are Advanced Red Cross certified. It will be a good incentive for these people to remain associated with the rescue squad if the opportunity exists to upgrade their certification status.

5) Richard Smith, President, Gunflint Trail Association, Grand Marais, Minnesota 55604. Mr. Smith writes on behalf of the Association in support of the proposed rule change. He cites its importance for rural areas such as the Gunflint Trail in Northeastern Minnesota, which rely entirely upon volunteers to operate first responder units and licensed ambulance services. Allowing highly qualified advanced first aid personnel to become fully certified by the Commissioner would greatly strengthen the staff of rural ambulance providers in this area of the state.

It is the opinion of the Department that these amendments to its rules will have a positive impact on local ambulance services, particularly in the more rural areas of Greater Minnesota, where volunteers comprise the majority of staff. The

proposed rule will apply only to those experienced Advanced Red Cross personnel, currently on the roster of ambulance services, with proven records of patient care under the supervision of medical direction. It will assure that a basic and consistent level of training exists state wide. The Department will be in a position to certify that all persons serving as ambulance attendants are trained, by August 1, 1994, to a minimum level for the provision of emergency medical services as required by Minnesota Statute Section 144.804, Subd. 1.

DATED: October 11, 1991

Marlene E. Marschall

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DATE: October 30, 1991

TO: Licensed Ambulance Services

Training Institutions with Approved Emergency Care Courses

Other Persons Interested in Rule-Making Notice

FROM: Wayne Arrowood, Assistant Chief
Emergency Medical Services Section

PHONE: (612) 623-5482

SUBJECT: **Proposed Permanent Rules Relating to Emergency Care Course Certificate Issuance**

Please find enclosed a copy of the **Proposed Permanent Rules Relating to Emergency Care Course Certificate Issuance: Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules Without a Public Hearing.**

This notice was published in the **State Register** on Monday, October 28, 1991.

This rule amendment, if adopted, will set forth an alternative way by which a person with American Red Cross Advanced First Aid Training may qualify for an emergency care course certificate, issued by the Commissioner of Health under authority of Minnesota Statute 144.804, subdivision 1 and Minnesota Rule Part 4690.4600.

Please note that December 9, 1991, is the final day for comments in support of or in opposition to this proposed rule, or for requesting a public hearing.

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Proposed Rules

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§ 14.22, an agency may propose to adopt, amend, suspend or repeal rules without first holding a public hearing, as long as the agency determines that the rules will be noncontroversial in nature. The agency must first publish a notice of intent to adopt rules without a public hearing, together with the proposed rules, in the *State Register*. The notice must advise the public:

1. that they have 30 days in which to submit comment on the proposed rules;
2. that no public hearing will be held unless 25 or more persons make a written request for a hearing within the 30-day comment period;
3. of the manner in which persons shall request a hearing on the proposed rules; and
4. that the rule may be modified if the modifications are supported by the data and views submitted.

If, during the 30-day comment period, 25 or more persons submit to the agency a written request for a hearing of the proposed rules, the agency must proceed under the provisions of §§ 14.14-14.20, which state that if an agency decides to hold a public hearing, it must publish a notice of intent in the *State Register*.

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§ 14.29 and 14.30, agencies may propose emergency rules under certain circumstances. Proposed emergency rules are published in the *State Register* and, for at least 25 days thereafter, interested persons may submit data and views in writing to the proposing agency.

Department of Health

Proposed Permanent Rules Relating to Emergency Care Course Certificate Issuance

Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules Without a Public Hearing

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Health (hereinafter "Department") intends to adopt without a public hearing the above-entitled amendment to rule by setting forth an alternative way by which a person with American Red Cross Advanced First Aid Training may qualify for an emergency care course certificate, issued by the Commissioner under authority of *Minnesota Statute* 144.804, subdivision 1 and *Minnesota Rule* Part 4690.4600. To accomplish this purpose, the Department intends to amend *Minnesota Rule* Part 4690.4600, by adding new subparts 7, 8, and 9 without a public hearing, following the procedures set forth in the Administrative Procedures Act in *Minnesota Statute* 14.22 to 14.28 (1990). The statutory authority to adopt the rule is *Minnesota Statute* 144.804.

All persons have until Monday, December 9, 1991, to submit comment in support of or in opposition to the proposed rule or any part or subpart of the proposed rule. Comment is encouraged. Each comment should identify the portion of the proposed rule addressed, the reason for the comment, and any change proposed.

Any person may make a written request for a public hearing on the rule within the comment period, ending December 9, 1991. If twenty-five (25) or more persons submit a written request for a public hearing within the comment period, a public hearing will be held unless a sufficient number withdraw their requests in writing. Any person requesting a public hearing should state his or her name and address and is encouraged to identify the portion of the proposed rule addressed, the reason for the request, and any change proposed. If a public hearing is required, the Department will proceed pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes*, Section 14.131 to 14.20 (1990).

(6) Comments or written requests for a public hearing must be submitted to:

Wayne Arrowood, Assistant Chief
Emergency Medical Services Section
Minnesota Department of Health
717 Delaware Street Southeast Box 9441
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55440
Telephone: (800) 747-2011 or (612) 623-5482

(8) The proposed rule amendment may be modified if the modifications are supported by data and views submitted to the Department, and do not result in a substantial change in the proposed rule as noticed.

(11) The rule authorizes a person certified by the American Red Cross in advanced first aid and emergency care to apply to the Commissioner for permission to enroll in an approved emergency care refresher course, by providing documentation as follows:

1) Evidence of holding a current American Red Cross advanced first aid and emergency care certificate;

2) Evidence of being currently on the roster of an ambulance service licensed by the commissioner and of having a minimum of three years experience as a driver or attendant with an ambulance service licensed by the commissioner; and

3) Certification from the medical advisor or medical director of the licensed ambulance service identified in item 2) for whom the person is currently working, acknowledging that the applicant has current knowledge, training, and skill proficiency in the use of all basic equipment required in a basic life support ambulance.

The commissioner will issue an emergency care course certificate to a person who applies and submits evidence of meeting the above requirements, and who has successfully completed an approved emergency care refresher course after July 1, 1990.

This proposed rule will be repealed on August 1, 1994.

(11) A copy of the proposed rule is included as part of this notice.

(12) A **STATEMENT OF NEED AND REASONABLENESS** that describes the need for and reasonableness of the proposed amendment, and identifies the data and information relied upon to support the proposed rule amendment has been prepared and is available from Wayne Arrowood upon request to the above address.

(14) Pursuant to *Minnesota Statute* Section 14.115, subdivision 2, the impact on small businesses has been considered in the promulgation of this rule amendment. The Department's analysis and position regarding the impact of the amendment on small businesses is set forth in the **STATEMENT OF NEED AND REASONABLENESS.** Anyone wishing to present evidence or argument as to the amendment's effect on small businesses is encouraged to do so.

Pursuant to *Minnesota Statute* Section 14.115, subdivision 4(c), the Department, in order to provide an opportunity for small businesses to participate in the rule making process, will mail copies of the proposed rule amendment and this Notice to all licensed ambulance services, and to institutions approved to offer emergency care courses within the state. These services and institutions are encouraged to comment.

(9) If no hearing is required, upon adoption of the amendment, the amendment and the required supporting documents will be submitted to the Attorney General for review as to legality and form to the extent the form relates to legality. Any person may request notification of the date of submission to the Attorney General. Persons who wish to be advised of the submission of this material to the Attorney General or who wish to receive a copy of the adopted amendment must submit a written request to Wayne Arrowood at the above address.

Marlene E. Marschall
Commissioner of Health

Rules as Proposed

4690.4600 ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES.

[For text of subps 1 to 6, see M.R.]

Subp. 7. **American Red Cross advanced first aid personnel.** A person certified by the American Red Cross in advanced first aid and emergency care may apply to the commissioner for permission to enroll in an approved emergency care refresher course, by providing documentation which evidences that the person meets the criteria listed in subpart 8. An applicant successfully completing all emergency care refresher course requirements shall be issued an emergency care course certificate by the commissioner.

Subp. 8. **Required documentation.** A person who submits the following is eligible to enroll in an emergency care refresher course:

A. evidence of holding a current American Red Cross advanced first aid and emergency care certificate;

B. evidence of being currently on the roster of an ambulance service licensed by the commissioner and of having a minimum of three years experience as a driver or attendant with an ambulance service licensed by the commissioner; and

C. certification from the medical advisor or medical director of the licensed ambulance service identified in item B for whom the person is currently working, acknowledging that the applicant has current knowledge, training, and skill proficiency in the use of all basic equipment required in a basic life support ambulance.

Subp. 9. **Persons previously completing approved emergency care refresher courses.** The commissioner shall issue an emergency care course certificate to a person who applies and submits evidence of meeting the requirements of subparts 7 and 8, and of having successfully completed an approved emergency care refresher course after July 1, 1990.

REPEALER. *Minnesota Rules*, part 4690.4600, subparts 7, 8, and 9 are repealed August 1, 1994.

Department of Jobs and Training

Proposed Permanent Rules Relating to Youth Employment

Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules Without a Public Hearing

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Department of Jobs and Training proposes to adopt the above-entitled rules without a public hearing following the procedures set forth in *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 14.22 to 14.28.

These rules have been developed as authorized by *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 268.021 and 268.0122, subdivision 5, which permit the Commissioner of the Department of Jobs and Training to adopt rules governing programs the Commissioner administers under *Minnesota Statutes*, chapter 268.

Persons interested in these rules have 30 days in which to submit comments in support of or in opposition to the rules in their entirety or any part or subpart of the rules. Comments are encouraged. Each comment should identify the portion of the proposed rules addressed, the reason for the comment, and any change proposed.

Any person may make a written request for a public hearing on the rules within the 30-day comment period. If 25 or more persons submit a written request for a public hearing within the 30-day comment period, a public hearing will be held. Any person requesting a public hearing should state his or her name and address, and is encouraged to identify the portion of the proposed rules addressed, the reason for the request, and any change proposed. If a public hearing is required, the agency will proceed pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 14.131 to 14.20.

Persons who wish to submit comments or a written request for a public hearing must submit such comments or requests to:

Kay Tracy
Youth Programs Coordinator
Community Based Services
690 American Building
155 E. Kellogg Blvd.
St. Paul, MN 55101
(612) 296-6064

Comments or requests for a public hearing must be received by the Department by 4:30 p.m. on November 29, 1991.

The proposed rules may be modified if the modifications are supported by data and views and do not result in a substantial change in the proposed rules as noticed.

A copy of the proposed changes to the subject rules follows this notice.

If no hearing is required upon adoption of the rules, the rules and the required supporting documents will be delivered to the Attorney General for review as to legality and form to the extent the form relates to legality. Any person may request notification of the date of submission to the Attorney General.

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R. Jane Brown, Commissioner
Department of Jobs and Training

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STATE OF MINNESOTA

COUNTY OF HENNEPIN

BEFORE THE MINNESOTA

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

In the Matter of the
Proposed Adoption of
Amendments to Part 4690.4600
Relating to Issuance of Emergency
Care Course Certificates to
Persons With American Red Cross
Advanced First Aid Training

AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING THE NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT RULES WITHOUT A PUBLIC HEARING AND CERTIFICATE OF MAILING LIST

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF RAMSEY)

Jacalyn K. Hruska, being duly sworn, says:

I hereby certify that the list of persons and associations who have requested, pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§ 14.14, subd. 1(a) and 14.22, that their names be placed on the Department of Health rulemaking mailing list is accurate, complete, and current as of 4:00 p.m. this 1st day of November, 1991.

That on the 1st day of November, 1991, at the City of Minneapolis, County of Hennepin, State of Minnesota, I mailed the attached Notice Of Intent To Adopt Rules Without A Public Hearing by depositing in the State of Minnesota Central Mail System for United States mailing a copy thereof, with first class postage prepaid, to ambulance services (Attachment A), training institutions (Attachment B), and all persons and associations on the aforementioned Department rulemaking mailing list (Attachment C) which lists are attached hereto and made a part of this affidavit.

Jacalyn K. Hruska
JACALYN K. HRUSKA

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 25th day of February, 1992.

Barbara A. Machacek

BARBARA A. MACHACEK
NOTARY PUBLIC—MINNESOTA
RAMSEY COUNTY
My commission expires 9-15-97

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Proposed Rules

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§ 14.22, an agency may propose to adopt, amend, suspend or repeal rules without first holding a public hearing, as long as the agency determines that the rules will be noncontroversial in nature. The agency must first publish a notice of intent to adopt rules without a public hearing, together with the proposed rules, in the *State Register*. The notice must advise the public:

1. that they have 30 days in which to submit comment on the proposed rules;
2. that no public hearing will be held unless 25 or more persons make a written request for a hearing within the 30-day comment period;
3. of the manner in which persons shall request a hearing on the proposed rules; and
4. that the rule may be modified if the modifications are supported by the data and views submitted.

If, during the 30-day comment period, 25 or more persons submit to the agency a written request for a hearing of the proposed rules, the agency must proceed under the provisions of §§ 14.14-14.20, which state that if an agency decides to hold a public hearing, it must publish a notice of intent in the *State Register*.

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§ 14.29 and 14.30, agencies may propose emergency rules under certain circumstances. Proposed emergency rules are published in the *State Register* and, for at least 25 days thereafter, interested persons may submit data and views in writing to the proposing agency.

Department of Health

Proposed Permanent Rules Relating to Emergency Care Course Certificate Issuance

Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules Without a Public Hearing

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Health (hereinafter "Department") intends to adopt without a public hearing the above-entitled amendment to rule by setting forth an alternative way by which a person with American Red Cross Advanced First Aid Training may qualify for an emergency care course certificate, issued by the Commissioner under authority of *Minnesota Statute* 144.804, subdivision 1 and *Minnesota Rule* Part 4690.4600. To accomplish this purpose, the Department intends to amend *Minnesota Rule* Part 4690.4600, by adding new subparts 7, 8, and 9 without a public hearing, following the procedures set forth in the Administrative Procedures Act in *Minnesota Statute* 14.22 to 14.28 (1990). The statutory authority to adopt the rule is *Minnesota Statute* 144.804.

All persons have until Monday, December 9, 1991, to submit comment in support of or in opposition to the proposed rule or any part or subpart of the proposed rule. Comment is encouraged. Each comment should identify the portion of the proposed rule addressed, the reason for the comment, and any change proposed.

Any person may make a written request for a public hearing on the rule within the comment period, ending December 9, 1991. If twenty-five (25) or more persons submit a written request for a public hearing within the comment period, a public hearing will be held unless a sufficient number withdraw their requests in writing. Any person requesting a public hearing should state his or her name and address and is encouraged to identify the portion of the proposed rule addressed, the reason for the request, and any change proposed. If a public hearing is required, the Department will proceed pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes*, Section 14.131 to 14.20 (1990).

Comments or written requests for a public hearing must be submitted to:

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Emergency Medical Services Section
Minnesota Department of Health
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The proposed rule amendment may be modified if the modifications are supported by data and views submitted to the Department, and do not result in a substantial change in the proposed rule as noticed.

The rule authorizes a person certified by the American Red Cross in advanced first aid and emergency care to apply to the Commissioner for permission to enroll in an approved emergency care refresher course, by providing documentation as follows:

1) Evidence of holding a current American Red Cross advanced first aid and emergency care certificate;

2) Evidence of being currently on the roster of an ambulance service licensed by the commissioner and of having a minimum of three years experience as a driver or attendant with an ambulance service licensed by the commissioner; and

3) Certification from the medical advisor or medical director of the licensed ambulance service identified in item 2) for whom the person is currently working, acknowledging that the applicant has current knowledge, training, and skill proficiency in the use of all basic equipment required in a basic life support ambulance.

The commissioner will issue an emergency care course certificate to a person who applies and submits evidence of meeting the above requirements, and who has successfully completed an approved emergency care refresher course after July 1, 1990.

This proposed rule will be repealed on August 1, 1994.

A copy of the proposed rule is included as part of this notice.

A **STATEMENT OF NEED AND REASONABLENESS** that describes the need for and reasonableness of the proposed amendment, and identifies the data and information relied upon to support the proposed rule amendment has been prepared and is available from Wayne Arrowood upon request to the above address.

Pursuant to *Minnesota Statute* Section 14.115, subdivision 2, the impact on small businesses has been considered in the promulgation of this rule amendment. The Department's analysis and position regarding the impact of the amendment on small businesses is set forth in the **STATEMENT OF NEED AND REASONABLENESS.** Anyone wishing to present evidence or argument as to the amendment's effect on small businesses is encouraged to do so.

Pursuant to *Minnesota Statute* Section 14.115, subdivision 4(c), the Department, in order to provide an opportunity for small businesses to participate in the rule making process, will mail copies of the proposed rule amendment and this Notice to all licensed ambulance services, and to institutions approved to offer emergency care courses within the state. These services and institutions are encouraged to comment.

If no hearing is required, upon adoption of the amendment, the amendment and the required supporting documents will be submitted to the Attorney General for review as to legality and form to the extent the form relates to legality. Any person may request notification of the date of submission to the Attorney General. Persons who wish to be advised of the submission of this material to the Attorney General or who wish to receive a copy of the adopted amendment must submit a written request to Wayne Arrowood at the above address.

Marlene E. Marschall
Commissioner of Health

Rules as Proposed

4690.4600 ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES.

[For text of subps 1 to 6, see M.R.]

Subp. 7. **American Red Cross advanced first aid personnel.** A person certified by the American Red Cross in advanced first aid and emergency care may apply to the commissioner for permission to enroll in an approved emergency care refresher course, by providing documentation which evidences that the person meets the criteria listed in subpart 8. An applicant successfully completing all emergency care refresher course requirements shall be issued an emergency care course certificate by the commissioner.

Subp. 8. **Required documentation.** A person who submits the following is eligible to enroll in an emergency care refresher course:

A. evidence of holding a current American Red Cross advanced first aid and emergency care certificate;

B. evidence of being currently on the roster of an ambulance service licensed by the commissioner and of having a minimum of three years experience as a driver or attendant with an ambulance service licensed by the commissioner; and

C. certification from the medical advisor or medical director of the licensed ambulance service identified in item B for whom the person is currently working, acknowledging that the applicant has current knowledge, training, and skill proficiency in the use of all basic equipment required in a basic life support ambulance.

Subp. 9. **Persons previously completing approved emergency care refresher courses.** The commissioner shall issue an emergency care course certificate to a person who applies and submits evidence of meeting the requirements of subparts 7 and 8, and of having successfully completed an approved emergency care refresher course after July 1, 1990.

REPEALER. *Minnesota Rules*, part 4690.4600, subparts 7, 8, and 9 are repealed August 1, 1994.

Department of Jobs and Training

Proposed Permanent Rules Relating to Youth Employment

Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules Without a Public Hearing

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Department of Jobs and Training proposes to adopt the above-entitled rules without a public hearing following the procedures set forth in *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 14.22 to 14.28.

These rules have been developed as authorized by *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 268.021 and 268.0122, subdivision 5, which permit the Commissioner of the Department of Jobs and Training to adopt rules governing programs the Commissioner administers under *Minnesota Statutes*, chapter 268.

Persons interested in these rules have 30 days in which to submit comments in support of or in opposition to the rules in their entirety or any part or subpart of the rules. Comments are encouraged. Each comment should identify the portion of the proposed rules addressed, the reason for the comment, and any change proposed.

Any person may make a written request for a public hearing on the rules within the 30-day comment period. If 25 or more persons submit a written request for a public hearing within the 30-day comment period, a public hearing will be held. Any person requesting a public hearing should state his or her name and address, and is encouraged to identify the portion of the proposed rules addressed, the reason for the request, and any change proposed. If a public hearing is required, the agency will proceed pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 14.131 to 14.20.

Persons who wish to submit comments or a written request for a public hearing must submit such comments or requests to:

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St. Paul, MN 55101
(612) 296-6064

Comments or requests for a public hearing must be received by the Department by 4:30 p.m. on November 29, 1991.

The proposed rules may be modified if the modifications are supported by data and views and do not result in a substantial change in the proposed rules as noticed.

A copy of the proposed changes to the subject rules follows this notice.

If no hearing is required upon adoption of the rules, the rules and the required supporting documents will be delivered to the Attorney General for review as to legality and form to the extent the form relates to legality. Any person may request notification of the date of submission to the Attorney General.

Persons who wish to be advised of the submission of this material to the Attorney General, or who wish to receive a copy of the adopted rules, must submit the written request to Michael Fratto.

R. Jane Brown, Commissioner
Department of Jobs and Training

KEY: PROPOSED RULES SECTION — Underlining indicates additions to existing rule language. ~~Strike outs~~ indicate deletions from existing rule language. If a proposed rule is totally new, it is designated "all new material." **ADOPTED RULES SECTION** — Underlining indicates additions to proposed rule language. ~~Strike outs~~ indicate deletions from proposed rule language.

STATE OF MINNESOTA

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BEFORE THE MINNESOTA

COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROPOSED
ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS TO MINNESOTA
RULES, CHAPTER 4690, GOVERNING
ADMINISTRATION OF MINNESOTA
AMBULANCE SERVICES.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the list of persons, associations, and other interested groups who have requested, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 14.14, subdivision 1a, that their names be placed on the file with, and maintained by, the Minnesota Department of Health for the purpose of receiving notice of rule hearings, is accurate and complete as of 4:00 p.m., this first day of November, 1991.

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Proposed Rules

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§ 14.22, an agency may propose to adopt, amend, suspend or repeal rules without first holding a public hearing, as long as the agency determines that the rules will be noncontroversial in nature. The agency must first publish a notice of intent to adopt rules without a public hearing, together with the proposed rules, in the *State Register*. The notice must advise the public:

1. that they have 30 days in which to submit comment on the proposed rules;
2. that no public hearing will be held unless 25 or more persons make a written request for a hearing within the 30-day comment period;
3. of the manner in which persons shall request a hearing on the proposed rules; and
4. that the rule may be modified if the modifications are supported by the data and views submitted.

If, during the 30-day comment period, 25 or more persons submit to the agency a written request for a hearing of the proposed rules, the agency must proceed under the provisions of §§ 14.14-14.20, which state that if an agency decides to hold a public hearing, it must publish a notice of intent in the *State Register*.

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§ 14.29 and 14.30, agencies may propose emergency rules under certain circumstances. Proposed emergency rules are published in the *State Register* and, for at least 25 days thereafter, interested persons may submit data and views in writing to the proposing agency.

Department of Health

Proposed Permanent Rules Relating to Emergency Care Course Certificate Issuance

Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules Without a Public Hearing

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Health (hereinafter "Department") intends to adopt without a public hearing the above-entitled amendment to rule by setting forth an alternative way by which a person with American Red Cross Advanced First Aid Training may qualify for an emergency care course certificate, issued by the Commissioner under authority of *Minnesota Statute* 144.804, subdivision 1 and *Minnesota Rule* Part 4690.4600. To accomplish this purpose, the Department intends to amend *Minnesota Rule* Part 4690.4600, by adding new subparts 7, 8, and 9 without a public hearing, following the procedures set forth in the Administrative Procedures Act in *Minnesota Statute* 14.22 to 14.28 (1990). The statutory authority to adopt the rule is *Minnesota Statute* 144.804.

All persons have until Monday, December 9, 1991, to submit comment in support of or in opposition to the proposed rule or any part or subpart of the proposed rule. Comment is encouraged. Each comment should identify the portion of the proposed rule addressed, the reason for the comment, and any change proposed.

Any person may make a written request for a public hearing on the rule within the comment period, ending December 9, 1991. If twenty-five (25) or more persons submit a written request for a public hearing within the comment period, a public hearing will be held unless a sufficient number withdraw their requests in writing. Any person requesting a public hearing should state his or her name and address and is encouraged to identify the portion of the proposed rule addressed, the reason for the request, and any change proposed. If a public hearing is required, the Department will proceed pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes*, Section 14.131 to 14.20 (1990).

Comments or written requests for a public hearing must be submitted to:

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The proposed rule amendment may be modified if the modifications are supported by data and views submitted to the Department, and do not result in a substantial change in the proposed rule as noticed.

The rule authorizes a person certified by the American Red Cross in advanced first aid and emergency care to apply to the Commissioner for permission to enroll in an approved emergency care refresher course, by providing documentation as follows:

1) Evidence of holding a current American Red Cross advanced first aid and emergency care certificate;

2) Evidence of being currently on the roster of an ambulance service licensed by the commissioner and of having a minimum of three years experience as a driver or attendant with an ambulance service licensed by the commissioner; and

3) Certification from the medical advisor or medical director of the licensed ambulance service identified in item 2) for whom the person is currently working, acknowledging that the applicant has current knowledge, training, and skill proficiency in the use of all basic equipment required in a basic life support ambulance.

The commissioner will issue an emergency care course certificate to a person who applies and submits evidence of meeting the above requirements, and who has successfully completed an approved emergency care refresher course after July 1, 1990.

This proposed rule will be repealed on August 1, 1994.

A copy of the proposed rule is included as part of this notice.

A **STATEMENT OF NEED AND REASONABLENESS** that describes the need for and reasonableness of the proposed amendment, and identifies the data and information relied upon to support the proposed rule amendment has been prepared and is available from Wayne Arrowood upon request to the above address.

Pursuant to *Minnesota Statute* Section 14.115, subdivision 2, the impact on small businesses has been considered in the promulgation of this rule amendment. The Department's analysis and position regarding the impact of the amendment on small businesses is set forth in the **STATEMENT OF NEED AND REASONABLENESS.** Anyone wishing to present evidence or argument as to the amendment's effect on small businesses is encouraged to do so.

Pursuant to *Minnesota Statute* Section 14.115, subdivision 4(c), the Department, in order to provide an opportunity for small businesses to participate in the rule making process, will mail copies of the proposed rule amendment and this Notice to all licensed ambulance services, and to institutions approved to offer emergency care courses within the state. These services and institutions are encouraged to comment.

If no hearing is required, upon adoption of the amendment, the amendment and the required supporting documents will be submitted to the Attorney General for review as to legality and form to the extent the form relates to legality. Any person may request notification of the date of submission to the Attorney General. Persons who wish to be advised of the submission of this material to the Attorney General or who wish to receive a copy of the adopted amendment must submit a written request to Wayne Arrowood at the above address.

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Commissioner of Health

Rules as Proposed

4690.4600 ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES.

[For text of subps 1 to 6, see M.R.]

Subp. 7. **American Red Cross advanced first aid personnel.** A person certified by the American Red Cross in advanced first aid and emergency care may apply to the commissioner for permission to enroll in an approved emergency care refresher course, by providing documentation which evidences that the person meets the criteria listed in subpart 8. An applicant successfully completing all emergency care refresher course requirements shall be issued an emergency care course certificate by the commissioner.

Subp. 8. **Required documentation.** A person who submits the following is eligible to enroll in an emergency care refresher course:

A. evidence of holding a current American Red Cross advanced first aid and emergency care certificate;

B. evidence of being currently on the roster of an ambulance service licensed by the commissioner and of having a minimum of three years experience as a driver or attendant with an ambulance service licensed by the commissioner; and

C. certification from the medical advisor or medical director of the licensed ambulance service identified in item B for whom the person is currently working, acknowledging that the applicant has current knowledge, training, and skill proficiency in the use of all basic equipment required in a basic life support ambulance.

Subp. 9. **Persons previously completing approved emergency care refresher courses.** The commissioner shall issue an emergency care course certificate to a person who applies and submits evidence of meeting the requirements of subparts 7 and 8, and of having successfully completed an approved emergency care refresher course after July 1, 1990.

REPEALER. *Minnesota Rules*, part 4690.4600, subparts 7, 8, and 9 are repealed August 1, 1994.

Department of Jobs and Training

Proposed Permanent Rules Relating to Youth Employment

Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules Without a Public Hearing

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Department of Jobs and Training proposes to adopt the above-entitled rules without a public hearing following the procedures set forth in *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 14.22 to 14.28.

These rules have been developed as authorized by *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 268.021 and 268.0122, subdivision 5, which permit the Commissioner of the Department of Jobs and Training to adopt rules governing programs the Commissioner administers under *Minnesota Statutes*, chapter 268.

Persons interested in these rules have 30 days in which to submit comments in support of or in opposition to the rules in their entirety or any part or subpart of the rules. Comments are encouraged. Each comment should identify the portion of the proposed rules addressed, the reason for the comment, and any change proposed.

Any person may make a written request for a public hearing on the rules within the 30-day comment period. If 25 or more persons submit a written request for a public hearing within the 30-day comment period, a public hearing will be held. Any person requesting a public hearing should state his or her name and address, and is encouraged to identify the portion of the proposed rules addressed, the reason for the request, and any change proposed. If a public hearing is required, the agency will proceed pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 14.131 to 14.20.

Persons who wish to submit comments or a written request for a public hearing must submit such comments or requests to:

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Comments or requests for a public hearing must be received by the Department by 4:30 p.m. on November 29, 1991.

The proposed rules may be modified if the modifications are supported by data and views and do not result in a substantial change in the proposed rules as noticed.

A copy of the proposed changes to the subject rules follows this notice.

If no hearing is required upon adoption of the rules, the rules and the required supporting documents will be delivered to the Attorney General for review as to legality and form to the extent the form relates to legality. Any person may request notification of the date of submission to the Attorney General.

Persons who wish to be advised of the submission of this material to the Attorney General, or who wish to receive a copy of the adopted rules, must submit the written request to Michael Fratto.

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Enclosed please find a copy of the **Statement of Need and Reasonableness** in the matter of the proposed adoption of an amendment to part 4690.4600 relating to the issuance of emergency care course certificates to persons with American Red Cross Advanced First Aid Training.

A copy of the **Notice of Intent**, which includes the language of the proposed rule, published October 28, 1991, is also enclosed.

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Wayne Arrowood
Department of Health
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St. Paul, MN 55164-0900

RE: File No. 1938

Dear Mr. Arrowood:

I am enclosing six copies of your rules, approved as to form. Please submit two copies to the State Register for publication.

If you have any questions, please call me.

Very truly yours,

Janet

Janet M. Rahm

Department of Health

Proposed Permanent Rules Relating to Emergency Care Course Certificate Issuance

Rules as Proposed

4690.4600 ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES.

[For text of subps 1 to 6, see M.R.]

Subp. 7. **American Red Cross advanced first aid personnel.** A person certified by the American Red Cross in advanced first aid and emergency care may apply to the commissioner for permission to enroll in an approved emergency care refresher course, by providing documentation which evidences that the person meets the criteria listed in subpart 8. An applicant successfully completing all emergency care refresher course requirements shall be issued an emergency care course certificate by the commissioner.

Subp. 8. **Required documentation.** A person who submits the following is eligible to enroll in an emergency care refresher course:

A. evidence of holding a current American Red Cross advanced first aid and emergency care certificate;

B. evidence of being currently on the roster of an ambulance service licensed by the commissioner and of having a minimum of three years experience as a driver or attendant with an ambulance service licensed by the commissioner; and

C. certification from the medical advisor or medical director of the licensed ambulance service identified in item B for whom the person is currently working, acknowledging that the applicant has current knowledge, training, and skill proficiency in the use of all basic equipment required in a basic life support ambulance.

Subp. 9. **Persons previously completing approved emergency care refresher courses.** The commissioner shall issue an emergency care course certificate to a person who applies and

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submits evidence of meeting the requirements of subparts 7 and 8, and of having successfully completed an approved emergency care refresher course after July 1, 1990.

REPEALER. Minnesota Rules, part 4690.4600, subparts 7, 8, and 9 are repealed August 1, 1994.

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Office of the Revisor of Statutes

Administrative Rules

TITLE: Proposed Permanent Rules Relating to Emergency Care Course Certificate Issuance

AGENCY: Department of Health

MINNESOTA RULES: Chapter 4690

The attached rules are approved for publication in the State Register

Janet M. Rahm
Senior Assistant Revisor

STATE OF MINNESOTA

COUNTY OF HENNEPIN

BEFORE THE MINNESOTA

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

In the Matter of the Proposed Adoption of Amendments to Part 4690.4600 Relating to Issuance of Emergency Care Course Certificates to Persons With American Red Cross Advanced First Aid Training

FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS, AND ORDER ADOPTING RULES

The Department of Health (hereinafter "Department") initiated the above-captioned rule making proceeding to adopt rules without a public hearing pursuant to Minn. Stat. 14.22 to 14.28 as well as all other provisions of Minn. Stat. ch. 14 applicable to this rule making proceeding. The comment period has closed without 25 or more persons requesting that a hearing be held on these rule amendments. Accordingly, the Commissioner of Health (hereinafter "Commissioner") having fully and thoroughly reviewed and considered the record in this matter, and based thereon, makes the following **FINDINGS:**

1. The Department's Notice of the Commissioner's intent to adopt the above-entitled rule was published in the **State Register** on Monday, October 28, 1991, and was sent by United States mail to all persons on the list maintained by the Department pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sections 14.14, subdivision 1a and 14.22, on November 1, 1991. The Department also sent a copy of the Notice by United States Mail to all licensed ambulance services

and training institutions approved by the Commissioner to teach emergency care courses within the state.

2. The Statement of Need and Reasonableness was prepared before the Notice of Intent to Adopt a Rule Without a Public Hearing was mailed to all persons on the rule making list and published in the State Register, and was available to the public. A copy of the Statement of Need and Reasonableness was also forwarded to the Legislative Commission to Review Administrative Rules.

3. All persons were given the opportunity to submit comment on the rule for more than thirty days after the notice of proposed rule making was published and mailed.

4. The agency received no requests for a public hearing.

5. No person requested to be notified when the rule making record is submitted to the office of the Attorney General.

6. Comments on the proposed rule were received from the following persons:

a. Ms. Jennifer Deschaine, R.N., EMT, Director of Emergency, Surgical, and Out-Patient Services, St. Peter Community Hospital and Health Care Center, St. Peter Minnesota: Ms. Deschaine speaks in favor of the proposed rule, citing that it will give volunteer services the ability to retain their volunteer members. She suggests administering the National Registry of EMT's 110-hour written examination as a competency

test within one year of a person certifying under the provisions of this proposed rule.

The test proposed by Ms. Deschaine would impose an additional standard not now required of any person certified under the provisions of current rule. Therefore, it is the Department's position that it would be inappropriate at this time to amend the proposed rule to require the suggested competency test.

b. Mr. Donald R. Snorek, Director, Tri-County Hospital EMS, Wadena, Minnesota: Mr. Snorek speaks in favor of the proposed rule. He suggests that the provisions of the rule should also be applied to those persons certified as United States Department of Transportation certified First Responders. Furthermore, he suggests that clarification should be made to the proposed rule to indicate that successful completion of an approved emergency care refresher course means successful completion of a written and practical examination administered by the Department of Health.

With respect to Mr. Snorek's first point, the Department, in rule revisions to be proposed in 1992, will enumerate steps for U.S.D.O.T. certified First Responders to receive benefits similar to those proposed by this rule, consistent with the requirements of Minnesota Statute 144.809, subdivision 2. Mr. Snorek's second concern is already addressed in Minnesota Rule part 4690.4800.

This rule states that "in order to successfully complete an approved emergency care refresher course, each student must pass written and practical examinations approved by the commissioner." It is therefore not necessary to repeat this language in the proposed rule revision. All eligible applicants will be notified of the necessity to comply with the provisions of Minnesota Rule part 4690.4800.

c. Ms. Kathy Lande, President, Gunflint Trail Rescue Squad, Grand Marais, Minnesota: Ms. Lande speaks in favor of the proposed rule, citing that the rule will make it easier for rural volunteer ambulance services to comply with the personnel training requirements of the State of Minnesota.

7. The Commissioner incorporates herein as findings, the Statement of Need and Reasonableness.

Based upon the above findings, the Commissioner with respect to the above captioned rules makes that following **CONCLUSIONS:**

1. That the Department is in compliance with all substantive and procedural requirements;

2. That the rules are authorized by Minnesota Statute; and

3. That the rules are both needed and reasonable.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the rule identified as "In the Matter of an Amendment to Part 4690.4600 Relating to the Issuance of Emergency Care Course Certificates to Persons With American Red Cross Advanced First Aid Training," is adopted this 4 day of February 1992, pursuant to authority vested in the Commissioner by Minnesota Statutes, Section 144.804, subdivisions 1 and 3.

Marlene E. Marschall

Commissioner of Health

STATE OF MINNESOTA

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DECLARATION OF COUNSEL

I, Richard A. Wexler, Assistant Attorney General, do hereby declare that I have examined the above-captioned rules and the supporting rulemaking record and that, based on my examination, the Administrative Procedure Act and Minn. Rules ch. 2010 have been followed without exception. For Attorney General billing purposes, the four-digit docket client code is 1790.

Dated: Feb 28, 1992

RICHARD A. WEXLER
Assistant Attorney General

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April 19, 1991

Wayne Arrowood, EMS Section
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Dear Sir:

The Gunflint Trail Association would like to voice its support of Bill number 469.4600 subpart 7, which concerns the proposed rule change to allow persons certified in American Red Cross Advanced First Aid to become Minnesota State Registered and Certified Emergency Medical Technicians.

This bill is very important for rural areas such as the Gunflint Trail in Northeastern Minnesota, which rely entirely upon volunteers to operated the first response and ambulance services. Allowing the highly qualified advanced first aiders to become "EMT's" would greatly strengthen the staff of the rural ambulance system in this area.

Sincerely,

Richard Smith
President

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Mr. Wayne Arrowood, Assistant Chief
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Dear Mr. Arrowood:

I am writing in support of Rule Change #4690.4600. As I understand this will allow Advanced Red Cross certified people with ambulance experience to upgrade to EMT certification by taking a 24-hour refresher course. This change makes a lot of sense in our region for several reasons.

We are a very remote area. Most of us live 50 miles from the nearest town. Our summer season is busy with tourists and our winters are spent traveling to promote the business. As a result it has been impossible for several of our members to take the 100-hour course. If we lose these people, it will take 1/3 of our squad (4 of the 12 people). There just are not enough people living in the area to replace these men.

Our members have in effect had the practical training of the EMT course. In squad meeting and outside meetings they have been taught the elements of BLS that are lacking in an advanced first aid course. They have all practiced these skills during their years on the squad.

Finally, I believe a precedent was set for this type of rule change when the position of Licensed Practical Nurse was created. At that time experienced nurse's aides were allowed to take a refresher course and pass the standard test to be upgrade to LPN certification.

For these reasons, I support allowing experience advanced Red Cross people to take only the 24-hour refresher course and test to upgrade to EMT certification.

Cordially,

Susan Kerfoot

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Gunflint Trail Rescue Squad

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March 17, 1991

Dear Mr. Arrowood,

In response to your departments solicitation of comment regarding the proposed rule change to permit Advanced First-Aid personnel to take a refresher course and be eligible for EMT certification; the Gunflint Trail Rescue Squad would like to go on record as strongly in favor of that rule change. Currently our all volunteer staff has six EMT's and five advanced first-aid people. The end of the Gunflint Trail is 60 miles from the closest hospital and 170 miles from the nearest trauma center. We also have the challenge of being involved in Boundary Waters Canoe Area rescues. This coupled with a meager year round residency puts quite a strain on a rural squad. The rule change you are considering would insure that we could keep the personel we have and also bring their training level up to what would be best for the people that rely on this service.

Thankyou for your consideration

Kathy Lande
president Gunflint Trail
Rescue Squad

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MDH/EMS
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Dear Wayne,

I would like to briefly express my support for the proposed rule change to permit ARC Advanced First Aids Personnel to enroll, complete refreshers, and to be eligible for State Certification. As the Director of a small rural Ambulance Service, and Lutsen Mountain Ski Patrol Director I have experienced first hand the high skill level of experienced ARC providers. I have also noted the difficulty experienced in rural areas in getting thru a full 110 + hour EMT courses. If you want further information please call.

Sincerely,

Mark Abrahamson, EMT, PHN
Health Director



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To whom it may concern,

On this date I received a notice soliciting comments on a proposed rule change which would allow individuals who meeting certain criteria could become Emergency Medical Technicians.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my views on this subject. My views are based on the following facts;

A. I have been a State Certified EMT since 1976.
B. I have worked as an EMT on a BLS Licensed Ambulance since 1976.
C. I am currently supervising our ambulance service which serves an area of over 250 square miles and approximately 15,000 residents.
D. I have previously held an Advanced First Aid Card as well as an Instructor's Card in Advanced First Aid through the American Red Cross.

I do not profess to be an expert however, I am aware of the training involved in becoming an EMT. It is my opinion that to deviate from current requirements and in this case diminishing training to allow these individuals to become EMT's is wrong.

The skills learned in a 110 hour course can not be done in the Advanced First Aid Course. If this were possible why not reduce the 110 to the 40 hour first aid course.

Occupying space in an ambulance does not give one the skills necessary to treat the many patients we see. One can not render sound emergency care if one has not received the training to do so. I know that I did not learn my job through a process of osmosis. I do not believe others (EMT's) did either.

I have serious problems anytime someone even suggests lowering standards. When we lower standards we lower skill. When this occurs people die.

The problem of a shortage of EMT's should not be handled in this manner.

I would suggest anyone who believes that this is a viable option should place themselves or a loved one in a situation that would require an EMT.

What type of service would you expect? What will you receive.

Those individuals who are holding Advanced First Aid Cards are first responders. They are not and cannot be EMT's.

Please feel free to contact me regarding this matter if you have questions.

Respectfully yours,

James J. Langenbrunner

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cc. Mr. Wayne Johnson

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December 9, 1991

Ms. Jennifer Deschaine, RN, EMT, Director
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Dear Ms. Deschaine:

Thank you for taking the opportunity to comment on the proposed rule revision, which would enable American Red Cross Advanced First Aid personnel to upgrade to Emergency Medical Technician.

Your support of this proposed rule revision is acknowledged, in particular, your comment that it will give volunteer services the ability to retain their volunteer complement.

At the December 5, 1991 meeting of the Minnesota EMS Advisory Council, you and I discussed your suggestion for a required competency test to be taken within one year of completing the requirements outlined by this proposed rule revision.

The proposed competency test, the National Registry of EMT's examination for the 110-hour emergency care course, would impose an additional standard not now required of any person certified under the provisions of current rule. Therefore, we feel that it would be inappropriate at this time to amend the proposed revision to require this competency test.

If you wish to discuss this issue further, please contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Wayne Arrowood
Assistant Chief
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FAX TRANSMITTAL COVER SHEET

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December 9, 1991

Donald R. Snorek, Director
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Dear Mr. Snorek:

Thank you for taking the opportunity to comment on the proposed rule revision, which would enable American Red Cross Advanced First Aid personnel to upgrade to Emergency Medical Technician.

In rule revisions to be proposed in 1992, we will set forth steps for U.S.D.O.T. certified First Responders to upgrade to Emergency Medical Technicians, consistent with the requirements of Minnesota Statute 144.809, subdivision 2. In the interim, we appreciate your support for this proposed rule revision and the opportunity for American Red Cross Advanced First Aid personnel to upgrade to Emergency Medical Technician.

In Minnesota Rule 4690.4800 Refresher Course Examination, the rule states that "in order to successfully complete an approved emergency care refresher course, each student must pass written and practical examinations approved by the commissioner." It is therefore not necessary to repeat this language in the proposed rule revision. If the proposed rule is approved, please be assured that any notification forwarded to eligible applicants will be informed of the necessity to comply with Minnesota Rule 4690.4800.

Sincerely,

Wayne Arrowood
Assistant Chief
Emergency Medical Services Section



Tri-County Hospital

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Nov. 8, 1991

Wayne Arrowood, Assistant Chief
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Minnesota Dept. of Health
717 Delaware Street South East Box 9441
Minneapolis, MN 55440

Dear Mr. Arrowood:

I would like to make a couple of comments pretaining to the "Issuance of Certificates" Rules as Proposed.

I feel this is a good way to up grade people to the EMT Status. In my dealings with education I know that the 40 hour DOT First Responder is trained at a higher level and in more areas. I would like to see this for the active first responders that are working for rescue and have an ambulance service associated with that rescue unit.

The other point that I would like to mention is regarding Subp. 9. it states "successfully completed an approved Emergency care refresher course after July 1, 1990. This to me does not address the sucessful examination by the Health Dept. I feel this should be stated for clarification.

If you have any further questions please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,

Donald R. Snorek
Director of EMS

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Dear Ms. Lande:

Thank you for taking the opportunity to comment on the proposed rule revision, which would enable American Red Cross Advanced First Aid personnel to upgrade to Emergency Medical Technician.

Your support of this proposed rule revision is acknowledged, in particular, your comment concerning your belief that this rule change will make it easier for rural volunteer ambulance services to comply with the personnel training requirements of Emergency Medical Technicians found in Minnesota Rule Chapter 4690.

Sincerely,

Wayne Arrowood
Assistant Chief
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Gunflint Trail Rescue Squad

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Dec 1, 1991

Mn. Dept of Health
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Dear Mr. Arrowood,

The Gunflint Trail Rescue Squad would like to go on record as strongly supporting the proposed ammendment by which a person with American Red Cross Advanced First Aid Training may qualify for an emergency care course certificate by an alternative method as described by changing Minnesota Rule Part 4690.4600.

We feel that this rule change will make it easier for rural volunteer ambulance services to comply with the personel training requirements of the State of MN.

Thankyou
Kathy Lande
president G.T.R.S.