STATE OF NEW YORK

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2023-2024 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE (ALSO FILED IN ASSEMBLY)

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Introduced by Sens. MAYER, GRIFFO, HINCHEY, KAVANAGH, MARTINEZ, PERSAUD, SKOUFIS, WEBER -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Local Government -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee.

AN ACT to amend the general municipal law in relation to emergency medical services

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. The opening paragraph of subdivision 1 of section 122-b of the general municipal law, as amended by chapter 471 of the laws of 2011, is amended and a new paragraph (g) is added to read as follows:

[Any] General ambulance services are an essential service. Every county, city, town [or] and village, acting individually or jointly or in conjunction with a special district, [may provide] shall ensure that an emergency medical service, a general ambulance service or a combination of such services are provided for the purpose of providing prehospital emergency medical treatment or transporting sick or injured persons found within the boundaries of the municipality or the municipalities acting jointly to a hospital, clinic, sanatorium or other place for treatment of such illness or injury, [and for] provided, however, the provisions of this subdivision shall not apply to a city with a population of one million or more. In furtherance of that purpose, a county, city, town or village may: (g) Establish a special district for the financing and operation of general ambulance services as set forth by this

section, whereby any county, city, town or village, acting individually, or jointly with any other county, city, town and/or village, through its governing body or bodies, following applicable procedures as are required for the establishment of fire districts in article eleven of the town law or following applicable procedures as are required for the establishment of joint fire districts in article eleven-A of the town law, with such special district being authorized by this section to be established in all or any part of any such participating county or counties, town or towns, city or cities and/or village or villages.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.