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MEMORANDUM

To: House Committee on Rural Revitalization

From: Eileen Ma, Assistant Revisor of Statutes

Date: February 22, 2018

Subject: Bill Brief for HB 2366

HB 2366 would enact a new provision of law pertaining to ground ambulance staffing rural areas.

Under current regulations, ground ambulances must be staffed at a minimum by either two attendants or by an attendant or a health care provider. This bill would allow a ground ambulance to be staffed by an apparatus operator and an attendant, or an apparatus operator and a health care provider when undertaking a stabilized transfer in a rural area.

As used in the bill:

The bill grants the Emergency Services Board authority to adopt rules and regulations necessary to implement the provisions of the bill.

K.S.A. 65-6102 (f) "Attendant" means a first responder, an emergency medical responder, emergency medical technician, emergency medical technician-intermediate, emergency medical technician-defibrillator, emergency medical technician-intermediate/defibrillator, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic certified pursuant to this act.

K.A.R. 109-1-1 (z) "Health care personnel" or "Health care provider" as used in these regulations means a physician, physician assistant, licensed professional nurse, advanced practice registered nurse or respiratory therapist.