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SYNOPSIS

Establishes COVID-19 Emergency Medical Services Assistance Grant Program in DOH; appropriates \$2 million.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1 from the General Fund to fulfill the bill's provisions.

2 The program is to award grants to emergency medical services
3 providers who have suffered financial losses during the COVID-19
4 outbreak. The Commissioner of Health (commissioner) is to
5 develop an application by which an emergency medical services
6 provider may apply for a grant for funding, and criteria by which to
7 rank applications received by the department. The grant amount is
8 to be based on the population of the area served by the emergency
9 medical service provider. Emergency medical service providers
10 that serve a larger population are to receive more funds than
11 emergency medical service providers that serve a smaller
12 population. The commissioner is to provide notice of the
13 availability of funding for this program and make the application
14 available on the department's Internet website. Upon receipt of an
15 application, the commissioner is to review the application and,
16 subject to the availability of funds, award a grant to each approved
17 grant applicant.

18 The bill provides that a grant awarded pursuant to the bill's
19 provisions is to be in an amount not to exceed \$50,000. The bill
20 defines "emergency medical services provider" to mean any non-
21 profit association, organization, company, department, agency,
22 service, program, unit, or other entity that provides pre-hospital
23 emergency medical care to patients in this State, including, but not
24 limited to, a basic life support ambulance service, a mobile
25 intensive care unit, an air medical service, or a volunteer or non-
26 volunteer first aid, rescue, and ambulance squad.