COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

NOTICE

D.C. LAW 4-25

"Intermediate Paramedic Regulations Act of 1981".

Pursuant to Section 412 of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act, P. L. 93-198, "the Act", the Council of the District of Columbia adopted Bill No. 4-198 on first and second readings, May 5, 1981 and May 19, 1981, respectively. Following the signature of the Mayor on June 5, 1981, this legislation was assigned Act No. 4-46, published in the June 12, 1981 edition of the D.C. Register, (Vol. 28 page 2622) and transmitted to Congress on June 11, 1981 for a 30-day review, in accordance with Section 602 (c)(1) of the Act.

The Council of the District of Columbia hereby gives notice that the 30-day Congressional Review Period has expired, and therefore, cites this enactment as D.C. Law 4-25, effective August 1, 1981.

ARRINGTON DIXON
Chairman of the Council

Dates Counted During the 30-day Congressional Review Period:
June   11,12,15,16,17,18,19,22,23,24,25,26
July    8,9,10,13,14,15,16,17,20,21,22,23,24,27,28,29,30,31
AN ACT

D.C. ACT 4-46

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

JUN 05 1981

To amend the regulation establishing standards for ambulances and emergency medical personnel; to provide for the certification of a new category of emergency medical personnel (intermediate paramedics); and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,

That this act may be cited as the "Intermediate Paramedic Regulations Act of 1981".

Sec. 2. A Regulation to Establish Standards for Ambulances and Medical Personnel and to Provide for Their Certification, enacted December 13, 1972 (Reg. No. 72-29; 19 DCR 450) is amended as follows:

(a) Section 1 is amended by adding to the end thereof the following new subsection to read as follows:

"(a) 'Emergency Medical Technician/Intermediate Paramedic' means a person who possesses a valid Emergency Medical Technician/Intermediate Paramedic certificate issued pursuant to this regulation."
(b) Section 2(c) is amended by inserting following the phrase "provided by Emergency Medical Technician/Paramedics" the phrase "or Emergency Medical Technician/Intermediate Paramedics".

(c) Section 6 is amended as follows:

(1) subsection (d)(1)(E) is amended by striking the phrase "twelve (12) months" and inserting the phrase "twenty-four (24) months" in lieu thereof; and

(2) by adding to the end thereof the following new subsection to read as follows:

"(c)(1) The Mayor, within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this subsection, shall with the assistance of the District of Columbia Advisory Committee for Emergency Medical Services ("EMS Advisory Committee") promulgate rules and regulations establishing standards and procedures for the certification of Emergency Medical Technician/Intermediate Paramedics. Such standards and procedures shall include:

"(A) a requirement for the satisfactory completion of a training course in emergency care approved by the EMS Advisory"
Committee, consisting of not less than one hundred (100) hours of classroom and practical instruction, including, but not limited to, instruction in:

"(i) all phases of basic life support; and

"(ii) the administration of drugs and intravenous solutions under the written or oral communication, either directly or via telecommunication, of a licensed physician;

"(B) a requirement for the initial and continual determination of skills through oral, written, and practical examinations;

"(C) provisions prescribing the life support services which may be provided by Emergency Medical Technician/Intermediate Paramedics, including those services which require the supervision by telecommunication of a licensed physician;

"(D) provisions for continuity of emergency medical care and assistance across state borders, including a provision for the reciprocal recognition of medical personnel certified or licensed by other jurisdictions; provided, that
this section shall not be construed to allow such personnel to perform any services which they are not licensed or certified by the parent jurisdiction to perform; and

"(E) provisions for the renewal, denial, suspension, and revocation of certification: provided that an examination for the renewal of certification of an Emergency Medical Technician/Intermediate Paramedic shall be required at least every twenty-four (24) months.

"(2) No applicant may be certified as an Emergency Medical Technician/Intermediate Paramedic unless the applicant has satisfied all conditions for the certification as an Emergency Medical Technician as required pursuant to subsection (a).

"(3) During the practical portion of the training program specified in subsection (c)(1) the Emergency Medical Technician/Intermediate Paramedic trainee shall be supervised continuously by a physician or by a registered nurse."

(d) Section 7(c) is amended by inserting following the phrase "Emergency Medical
Technician/Paramedic", wherever it appears, the
onrase "or Emergency Medical
Technician/Intermediate Paramedic".

(e) Section 9(c) is amended by inserting
following the phrase "Emergency Medical
Technician/Paramedic", wherever it appears, the
onrase "or Emergency Medical
Technician/Intermediate Paramedic".

Sec. 3. Section 1 of the Act to relieve
onicians of liability for negligent medical
treatment at the scene of an accident in the
District of Columbia, approved November 8, 1965
(79 Stat. 1302; D.C. Code, sec. 2-142) is amended
as follows:

(a) in subsections (c) and (d) by inserting
following the phrase "emergency medical
technician/paramedic", wherever it appears, the
phrase "or emergency medical
technician/intermediate paramedic" and

(b) in subsection (e) by striking the phrase
"the term 'emergency medical technician/paramedic'
means" and inserting the phrase "the terms,
'emergency medical technician/paramedic' and
'emergency medical technician/intermediate paramedic' mean in lieu thereof.

Sec. 4. Section 2(h) of the District of Columbia Employee Non-Liability Act, approved July 14, 1960 (74 Stat. 519; D.C. Code, sec. 1-921(h)) is amended by inserting following the phrase "emergency medical technician," the phrase "emergency medical technician/intermediate paramedic."

Sec. 5. Section 9(a) of the District of Columbia Uniform Narcotic Drug Act, approved June 20, 1938 (52 Stat. 790; D.C. Code, sec. 33-409(a)) is amended by inserting following the phrase "by a nurse," the phrase "certified emergency medical technician/intermediate paramedic.".

Sec. 6. This act shall take effect after a thirty (30)-day period of Congressional review following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council of the District of Columbia to override the veto) as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of
Columbia Self-Government and Governmental
Reorganization Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87
Stat. 813; D.C. Code, sec. 1-147(c)(1)).

Chairman
Council of the District of Columbia

Mayor
District of Columbia

APPROVED: June 5, 1981
DOCKET NO: B 4-198

Item on Consent Calendar

ACTION: Adopted First Reading, 5-5-81

VOICE VOTE: Unanimous

Absent: all present

ROLL CALL VOTE:

COUNCIL MEMBER AVE N.Y. A.B. COUNCIL MEMBER AVE N.Y. A.B.

CRAWD ORD RAY POLARK

X - Indicates Vote A.B. - Absent N.Y. - Not Voting

CERTIFICATION OF RECORD

Date 5/25/81

Item on Consent Calendar

ACTION: Adopted Final Reading, 5-19-81

VOICE VOTE: Unanimous

Absent: all present

ROLL CALL VOTE:

COUNCIL MEMBER AVE N.Y. A.B. COUNCIL MEMBER AVE N.Y. A.B.

CHNN. DIXON KANE SHACKLETON

WINTER R AY SPALDING

CLARK M OORE, JR. WILSON

CRAWD ORD RAY POLARK

X - Indicates Vote A.B. - Absent N.Y. - Not Voting

CERTIFICATION OF RECORD

Date 5/25/81

Item on Consent Calendar

ACTION:

VOICE VOTE:

Absent:

ROLL CALL VOTE: