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This table summarizes how the latest substitute version of the bill differs from the immediately preceding version. It addresses only the topics on which the two versions differ substantively. It does not list topics on which the two bills are substantively the same.

| Previous Version (As Introduced) | Latest Version (I_134_0101-1) |
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| Stretcher van organization licensure – hospice care exemption | |
| Establishes a licensing mechanism for the regulation of nonemergency transportation services that are provided by stretcher van organizations to individuals on a stretcher, but exempts from licensure health care facilities providing stretcher van services only to facility patients (<i>R.C. 4766.01</i>). | Maintains both the requirement that stretcher van organizations be licensed by the State Board of Emergency Medical, Fire, and Transportation Services and the exemption for health care facilities, but also extends the exemption to hospice care programs providing stretcher van services only to their patients (<i>R.C. 4766.01</i>). |
| Individuals served by stretcher van organizations | |
| <p>Authorizes a stretcher van organization to provide transportation to all of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ An individual who needs routine transportation to or from a nonemergency medical appointment or service; ▪ An individual who is convalescent or otherwise nonambulatory and cannot use a wheelchair; ▪ An individual who does not require medical monitoring, medical aid, medical care, or medical treatment during transport (<i>R.C. 4766.18</i>). | <p>Maintains this authority but with the following changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Expands the transportation that may be provided to such an individual without the limitation of being routine, and also specifies that transportation may originate or conclude at the individual’s place of residence; ▪ Does not specify the condition that the individual cannot use a wheelchair; ▪ Specifies that the individual must be medically stable and not require ongoing |

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| | medical monitoring, aid, care or treatment during the period of transport or as a condition of being transported (<i>R.C. 4766.18</i>). |
| Provision of stretcher van services – requirements and prohibition | |
| No provision. | <p>Requires a stretcher van organization to do all of the following when providing transportation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Allow at least one other individual, which may include a family member or caregiver, to remain in the stretcher van during the period of transport in order to provide support, assistance, and comfort to the individual in need of transport; ▪ Offer to assist the individual onto and off a stretcher and with entering or exiting the stretcher van, individual’s place of residence, or location to which the individual is being transported and if accepted, provide such assistance; ▪ As soon as practicable, request assistance from an emergency medical service organization or transport the individual to the nearest hospital in the event the individual’s medical condition changes during transport and requires medical care (<i>R.C. 4766.18</i>). |
| No provision. | Prohibits a stretcher van organization from administering oxygen when transporting an individual, but specifies that the individual or individual’s family member or caregiver may administer oxygen that is supplied by the individual (<i>R.C. 4766.18</i>). |
| Training in the use of stretchers | |
| No provision. | Requires each stretcher van organization to train its personnel in the use of stretchers (<i>R.C. 4766.18</i>). |

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| Eligibility requirements for employment as a stretcher van driver | |
| No provision. | Extends to each stretcher van driver current law's eligibility requirements for employment as an ambulette driver, including criminal records checks, motor vehicle law violation checks, training in first aid or cardiopulmonary resuscitation, and alcohol and drug testing (<i>R.C. 4766.03 and 4766.15</i>). |