



# Ohio Legislative Service Commission

## Sub. Bill Comparative Synopsis

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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.

Topic	Previous Version (As Introduced)	Sub. Version (LSC 131 0955-4)
<b>Individuals authorized to provide emergency medical services to animals</b>	Authorizes a first responder, emergency medical technician-basic (EMT-basic), emergency medical technician-intermediate (EMT-I), emergency medical technician-paramedic (paramedic), and volunteer firefighter to provide certain aid ( <i>R.C. 4765.52</i> ).	Removes that authorization with respect to a volunteer firefighter ( <i>R.C. 4765.42(B)</i> ).
<b>Authorized emergency medical services</b>	Authorizes stabilization of an injured animal, except that the first responder, EMT-basic, EMT-I, paramedic, or volunteer firefighter may not administer drugs other than oxygen by mask without first consulting a veterinarian ( <i>R.C. 4765.52</i> ).	Instead authorizes the following emergency medical services to be performed on a dog or cat, to the extent that the first responder, EMT-basic, EMT-I, or paramedic is authorized to perform the same or corresponding services on a human patient: (1) opening and manually maintaining an airway, (2) giving mouth to snout or mouth to barrier ventilation, (3) administering oxygen, (4) managing ventilation by mask, (5) controlling hemorrhage with direct pressure, (6) immobilizing fractures, (7) bandaging, (8) administering naloxone hydrochloride with

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		authorization of the medical director or cooperating physician advisory board (CPAB) and in accordance with a veterinarian protocol or consultation ( <i>R.C. 4765.52(B)</i> ).
<b>Veterinarian consultation and protocol</b>	No provision.	Authorizes a veterinarian to consult with, or establish and provide a written protocol to, a first responder, EMT-basic, EMT-I, or paramedic to enable the provision of emergency medical services to a dog or cat as authorized by the bill ( <i>R.C. 4765.52(E)(1)</i> ).
<b>Qualified immunity</b>	No provision.	<p>Provides immunity from civil and criminal liability and professional disciplinary action to a first responder, EMT-basic, EMT-I, paramedic, medical director, member of a CPAB, and emergency medical services organization (EMSO) related to the provision of emergency medical services to a dog or cat in accordance with the bill, except for wilful and wanton misconduct (<i>R.C. 4765.52(C) and (D)(1)</i>).</p> <p>Provides immunity from civil and criminal liability and professional disciplinary action to a veterinarian who acts in good faith in accordance with the bill related to a first responder, EMT-basic, EMT-I, or paramedic's provision of emergency medical services to a dog or cat (<i>R.C. 4765.52(E)(2)</i>).</p>
<b>Terminal distributor licenses</b>	No provision.	Prohibits the State Board of Pharmacy from taking disciplinary action against an EMSO's terminal distributor

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		license for reasons associated with the provision of emergency medical services to a dog or cat in accordance with the bill, except for wilful and wanton misconduct ( <i>R.C. 4765.52(D)(2)</i> ).

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