

case record of such person that it is for the best interest of public safety that such person be denied the privilege of operating a motor vehicle. Whenever the director may order the vehicle driver's license of any such person suspended, revoked, or canceled, or shall refuse the issuance of vehicle driver's license, such suspension, revocation, cancellation, or refusal shall be final and effective unless appeal from the decision of the director shall be taken as provided by law.

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CHAPTER 53

[Senate Bill No. 3495]

EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS—CERTIFICATION PERIOD

AN ACT Relating to emergency medical technicians; and amending section 11, chapter 208, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. as amended by section 11, chapter 261, Laws of 1979 ex. sess. and RCW 18.73.110.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Section 1. Section 11, chapter 208, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. as amended by section 11, chapter 261, Laws of 1979 ex. sess. and RCW 18.73.110 are each amended to read as follows:

The secretary shall specify the level of knowledge required to qualify as an emergency medical technician and shall issue a certificate of qualification to those eligible applicants who pass a written and practical examination given under the secretary's direction, or who provide proof of having graduated, with satisfactory performance, from a course of instruction, of not less than eighty hours, approved by the secretary. Reciprocity may be arranged, in granting emergency medical technician certificates, with a national certifying organization whose standards are at least equal to those established by the secretary.

The certificate shall be valid for a period of ~~((two))~~ three years and may be renewed at expiration upon proof that the holder has met postcertification, continuing education requirements adopted by the secretary and upon passing an examination approved by the secretary ~~((PROVIDED, That in cities having a population of four hundred thousand or more such certificates shall be valid for a period of three years))~~.

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