

**LOCAL  
FISCAL IMPACT**

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**SHORT TITLE:** QUALITY MANAGEMENT PREHOSPITAL EMS PROVIDERS

<b>Fiscal Impact Summary*</b>	<b>FY 2014-2015</b>	<b>FY 2015-2016</b>
<b>State Revenue</b>		
<b>State Expenditures</b>		
<b>FTE Position Change</b>		
<b>Appropriation Required:</b> None.		

*\* This summary shows changes from current law under the bill for each fiscal year.*

**Summary of Legislation**

The bill specifies the mandatory components of quality management programs for emergency medical services (EMS) organizations electing to evaluate the effectiveness of prehospital emergency services. Under the bill, each quality management program must use certain criteria in its evaluation. Quality management programs must include quality assurance and risk management components and peer reviews of providers, among other functions.

A quality management program under the bill does not include a review or assessment of the licensing, use, or maintenance of vehicles used by an EMS. The bill does not alter the medical practice licensing procedures undertaken by the Division of Professions and Occupations in the Department of Regulatory Agencies.

**Local Government Impact**

Local governments acting as EMS providers may voluntarily institute quality management programs. Local governments that choose to establish quality management programs may have costs associated with creating and managing quality management programs that comply with the bill. Any increase in costs is conditional upon the local EMS provider implementing a quality management program.

**Effective Date**

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

**State and Local Government Contacts**

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Counties

Corrections  
Municipalities

Higher Education