

HB 1825 -- Use of Fire Trucks for Patient Transport

Sponsor: Hinson

This bill allows a fire truck with a patient compartment to be used for the transportation of persons in cardiac or respiratory arrest or suffering a level one trauma, an ST-elevation myocardial infarction, or acute stroke symptoms if a fire protection district's or fire department's staffed ambulances are not available and if the following requirements are met:

- (1) The fire truck meets the National Fire Protection Association Standard 1901;
- (2) The fire truck carries supplies and medical equipment required by state regulation;
- (3) The fire truck is operated by a fire protection district or fire department with a hospital within its boundaries;
- (4) At least two EMT-paramedics are on board; and
- (5) The transport time is no greater than seven minutes.

A fire truck used under these conditions and for this purpose will be exempt from certain specified sections of the United States General Services Administration's Specification for the Star of Life Ambulance KKK-A-1822F.