

2024 South Dakota Legislature

House Bill 1097 ENROLLED

An Act

ENTITLED An Act to authorize transportation activities by air ambulance operators.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

Section 1. That a NEW SECTION be added to chapter 34-11:

An air ambulance operator may use a ground ambulance to transport a patient between:

- (1) An acute care hospital and the airport at which the service maintains its ordinary and usual place of business; and
- (2) The airport at which the air ambulance operator maintains its ordinary and usual place of business and an acute care hospital.

Section 2. That a NEW SECTION be added to chapter 34-11:

An air ambulance operator may utilize the operator's ground ambulance for the transfer of a patient from one healthcare facility to another healthcare facility if:

- (1) The patient's attending medical practitioner determines that the patient requires a level of care that is not available without a transfer; and
- (2) The operator is unable to use the operator's air ambulance to transport the patient due to:
 - (a) Mechanical problems; or
 - (b) Inclement weather conditions.

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| I certify that the at the: House as Bill No. 10 | tached Act originated in | Received at this Executive Office this, 2024 atM. |
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| | Chief Clerk | By for the Governor |
| Attest: | Speaker of the House | The attached Act is hereby approved this day of, A.D., 2024 |
| | Chief Clerk | Governor STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA, SS. |
| Attest: | President of the Senate | Office of the Secretary of State Filed, 2024 |
| | | at o'clockM. |
| | Secretary of the Senate | Secretary of State |