

CHAPTER 192

AN ACT concerning certain emergency medical technicians and supplementing Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes.

BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

C.40A:14-215 Appointment of EMTs by municipality.

1. a. The provisions of any other law to the contrary notwithstanding, the appointing authority of a municipality which employs emergency medical technicians may appoint as a member thereof any person who:

(1) was employed as an emergency medical technician by any municipality;

(2) has satisfactorily completed a working test period in an emergency medical technician title in a municipality which has adopted Title 11A, Civil Service, of the New Jersey Statutes or satisfactorily completed a comparable, documented probationary period in an emergency medical technician title in a municipality which has not adopted Title 11A, Civil Service;

(3) was, for reasons of economy, terminated as an emergency medical technician within 60 months prior to the appointment; and

(4) was, at the time of termination in good standing with the municipal employer.

b. A municipality may employ such a person notwithstanding that:

(1) Title 11A, Civil Service, of the New Jersey Statutes is operative in that municipality;

(2) the municipality has available to it an eligible or regular reemployment list of persons eligible for such appointments; and

(3) the appointed person is not on any eligible list. A municipality which has adopted Title 11A, Civil Service, may not employ such a person if a special reemployment list is in existence for the emergency medical technician title to be filled.

c. If a municipality determines to appoint a person pursuant to the provisions of this act, it shall give first priority in making such appointments to residents of the municipality and second priority to residents of the county not residing in the municipality.

d. The seniority, seniority-related privileges and, if applicable, promotion title above the entry level title that an emergency medical technician possessed with the employer who terminated the emergency medical technician's employment for reasons of economy shall not be transferable to a new position when the emergency medical technician is appointed to a position pursuant to the provisions of this section.

C.40A:14-216 Reappointment of EMTs by municipality.

2. a. The provisions of any other law to the contrary notwithstanding, the appointing authority of a municipality which employs emergency medical technicians may reappoint as a member thereof any person who:

(1) did not hold a permanent appointment, but, in the case of a municipality which has adopted Title 11A, Civil Service, was fulfilling a working test period in an emergency medical technician title in that municipality or, in the case of a municipality which has not adopted Title 11A, Civil Service, was serving a probationary period in an emergency medical technician title;

(2) was, for reasons of economy, terminated as an emergency medical technician within 60 months prior to the appointment; and

(3) was, at the time of termination, in good standing.

b. A municipality may reemploy such a person notwithstanding that:

(1) Title 11A, Civil Service, of the New Jersey Statutes is operative in that municipality;

(2) the municipality has available to it an eligible or regular reemployment list of persons eligible for such appointments; and

(3) the appointed person is not on any eligible list. A municipality which has adopted Title 11A, Civil Service, may not re-employ such a person if a special reemployment list is in existence for the emergency medical technician title to be filled.

c. If a municipality determines to reappoint a person pursuant to the provisions of this act, it shall give first priority in making such appointments to residents of the municipality and second priority to residents of the county not residing in the municipality.

d. An emergency medical technician reappointed pursuant to this section shall complete any probationary or working test period not completed at the time of his termination for reasons of economy.

3. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved January 17, 2012.