

Bill 128

Saskatchewan Bill 128 came into effect May 20, 2010. Bill 128 was the omnibus statute to make revisions to regulators' statutes to enable labour mobility. Essentially the amendment replaces the need for proof of completion of initial education and of having successfully written a licensing exam with "registered as the equivalent of a paramedic in good standing" with a regulator in another jurisdiction. Here is the actual text:

The approved amendment to the Paramedics Act is as follows:

S.S. 2007, c.P-0.1, section 20 amended

26 Section 20 of *The Paramedics Act* is amended by adding the following subsection after subsection (1):

“(1.1) Notwithstanding subsection (1) but subject to subsection (2), the council may register as a member, and issue a licence to practise to, a person who produces evidence establishing to the satisfaction of the council that the person:

- (a) meets the requirements set out in the bylaws;
- (b) has paid the prescribed fees;
- (c) has complied with the bylaws with respect to registration as a member; and
- (d) is registered as the equivalent of a paramedic in good standing pursuant to the legislation of another jurisdiction in Canada”.

For your information, the existing Section 20(1) of the Act reads as follows:

Registration

20(1) Subject to subsection (2), the council may register as a member, and issue a licence to practise to, a person who produces evidence establishing to the satisfaction of the council that the person:

- (a) has paid the prescribed fees;
- (b) has complied with the bylaws with respect to registration as a member;
- (c) has successfully completed the emergency medical services education programs that are prescribed in the bylaws; and
- (d) has successfully passed the examinations prescribed or recognized by the council pursuant to the bylaws.

The amended Act will insert the new subsection right after the existing one. Once it is published by the government, I will ensure the new version is posted to our website.