## 96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## State of Illinois

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#### SB3637

Introduced 2/11/2010, by Sen. Antonio Muñoz

### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

210 ILCS 50/3.5 210 ILCS 50/3.101 new

Amends the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Systems Act. Provides that the Department of Public Health may designate a Veterans Administration hospital for participation in an EMS system. Defines "Veterans Administration hospital" to mean a health care facility operated by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs that has been certified by a nationally recognized certifying body approved by the Illinois Department of Public Health and that has applied for participation in an EMS system. Effective immediately.

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AN ACT concerning regulation.

# 2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Systems Act
is amended by changing Section 3.5 and by adding Section 3.101
as follows:

7 (210 ILCS 50/3.5)

8 Sec. 3.5. Definitions. As used in this Act:

9 "Department" means the Illinois Department of Public10 Health.

11 "Director" means the Director of the Illinois Department of12 Public Health.

"Emergency" means a medical condition of recent onset and severity that would lead a prudent layperson, possessing an average knowledge of medicine and health, to believe that urgent or unscheduled medical care is required.

17 "Health Care Facility" means a hospital, nursing home, 18 physician's office or other fixed location at which medical and 19 health care services are performed. It does not include 20 "pre-hospital emergency care settings" which utilize EMTs to 21 render pre-hospital emergency care prior to the arrival of a 22 transport vehicle, as defined in this Act.

23 "Hospital" has the meaning ascribed to that term in the

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1	Hospital Licensing Act, but also includes a Veterans
2	Administration hospital.
3	"Trauma" means any significant injury which involves
4	single or multiple organ systems.
5	"Veterans Administration hospital" means a health care
6	facility operated by the United States Department of Veterans
7	Affairs that has been certified by a nationally recognized
8	certifying body approved by the Illinois Department of Public
9	Health and that has applied for participation in an EMS system.
10	(Source: P.A. 89-177, eff. 7-19-95.)
11	(210 ILCS 50/3.101 new)
12	Sec. 3.101. Veterans Administration hospital. The
13	Department may designate a Veterans Administration hospital
14	for participation in an EMS system. Any Veterans Administration
15	hospital that participates in an EMS system shall be subject to
16	all of the provisions of this Act and rules promulgated under
17	this Act applicable to other hospitals, except to the extent
18	the Department provides otherwise by rule.
19	Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon

20 becoming law.