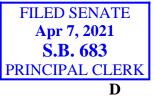
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## SENATE BILL DRS45336-MG-114

Short Title:	Prehospital Stroke Protocols/EMS Personnel.	(Public)
Sponsors:	Senator Perry (Primary Sponsor).	
Referred to:		

1	A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2	AN ACT REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO
3	ADOPT RULES CONCERNING PREHOSPITAL STROKE PROTOCOLS FOR
4	EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PERSONNEL.
5	The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
6	SECTION 1. Article 7 of Chapter 131E of the General Statutes is amended by adding
7	a new section to read:
8	"§ 131E-159.5. Rules to establish EMS protocols for treating and transporting stroke
9	patients.
10	(a) The Department shall adopt rules to establish evidence-based protocols for
11	prehospital assessment, treatment, and transportation of stroke patients by emergency medical
12	services personnel. The rules shall include at least the following:
13	(1) Clear and specific guidelines concerning entry and transfer plans for patients
14	with suspected large vessel occlusion that results in the patients receiving care
15	at the most appropriate hospital designated as a primary stroke center.
16	(2) <u>Required education and training for emergency medical services personnel on</u>
17	the assessment and treatment of stroke patients, including those with
18	suspected large vessel occlusion.
19	(b) Each holder of an ambulance permit under this Article shall implement the stroke
20	protocols adopted pursuant to subsection (a) of this section and provide regular training to
21	licensed emergency medical services personnel employees on the assessment and treatment of
22	stroke patients, including those with suspected large vessel occlusion."
23	<b>SECTION 2.</b> This act is effective when it becomes law.

