

AN ORDINANCE
AMENDING THOSE PORTIONS OF CHARLESTON COUNTY CODE SECTION 2-137
DEALING WITH FEES IN THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE DEPARTMENT.

Section 1.0 Purpose of Amendment, Findings

County Council, through the Administrator’s staff, has reviewed the current costs of supplying various services and compared that cost with the federal reimbursement schedules and determined that a number of fees need to be increased in order to reflect a portion of the actual cost of providing the service.

Section 2.0 Text Change

1. The portion of Section 2-137 of the County Code of Ordinances entitled "Emergency Medical Service" is hereby amended to read as follows:

Emergency Medical Service

| TYPE OF SERVICE | FEE |
|---------------------------------|--|
| BLS (Emergency) | \$325.00 |
| ALS- 1 (Emergency) | \$375.00 |
| ALS-2 (Emergency) | \$500.00 |
| Mileage (urban) | \$ 7.00/mile |
| Mileage (rural) | \$ 9.75/mile |
| No Transport | \$ 85.00 |
| Stand-by | \$250.00/hr (3 hr minimum) |
| Reproduction of Medical Records | \$ 20.00 |
| Reproduction of Dispatch Tapes | \$ 35.00/hr production time (1 hr minimum) |

Definitions

BLS- basic life support

ALS-1 advanced life support

ALS-2 advanced life support with the administration of three different medications or the administration of at least one of six ALS procedures.

Emergency- any dispatch as a result of a call to 9-1-1 or its equivalent

2. County Council hereby establishes the fees for the above-listed services and authorizes the specified fee amount to be charged by the appropriate department

of the county government. All prior ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby superseded.

Section 3.0 - Effective Date

This Ordinance shall become effective upon Third Reading.