
OLR Bill Analysis

sSB 238

AN ACT CONCERNING EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES RESPONSE TIME TRANSPARENCY.

SUMMARY

This bill requires the Department of Public Health (DPH) commissioner to create and maintain an emergency medical services (EMS) response time dashboard that collects and displays EMS response time data to the public, broken out by geography, call type, and time of day. The dashboard must not include patient identifying information.

Under the bill, the DPH, Department of Social Services, and Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection commissioners must (1) use data from the dashboard to support any applications for federal EMS response grants and (2) direct these grants to the communities that most need improved EMS response times.

The bill also increases the frequency, from quarterly to monthly, of EMS organizations' required reporting to DPH on their call data (such as the level of EMS required for each call, response times, and number of mutual aid calls).

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2026

COMMITTEE ACTION

Public Health Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 23 Nay 8 (03/02/2026)