

**SB47 ENROLLED**



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3 By Senators Singleton, Coleman, Coleman-Madison, Stewart  
4 RFD: Judiciary  
5 First Read: 04-Feb-25



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1 Enrolled, An Act,

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4 Relating to civil liability; to amend Section 6-5-332,  
5 Code of Alabama 1975, as amended by Act 2024-330 of the 2024  
6 Regular Session, to limit the civil liability of individuals  
7 who are affiliated with or members of community emergency  
8 response teams who have completed community emergency response  
9 team training that is recognized by the Federal Emergency  
10 Management Agency.

11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

12 Section 1. Section 6-5-332, Code of Alabama 1975, as  
13 amended by Act 2024-330 of the 2024 Regular Session, is  
14 amended to read as follows:

15 "§6-5-332

16 (a) When any doctor of medicine or dentistry, nurse,  
17 member of any organized rescue squad, member of any police or  
18 fire department, member of any organized volunteer fire  
19 department, ~~member of any community emergency response team~~  
20 certified by the Federal Emergency Management Agency individual  
21 affiliated with or a member of any community emergency  
22 response team who has completed a community emergency response  
23 team training curriculum that is recognized by the Federal  
24 Emergency Management Agency, Alabama-licensed emergency  
25 medical technician, intern, or resident practicing in an  
26 Alabama hospital with training programs approved by the  
27 American Medical Association, Alabama state trooper, medical  
28 aid functioning as a part of the military assistance to safety



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29 and traffic program, chiropractor, or public education  
30 employee gratuitously and in good faith, renders first aid or  
31 emergency care at the scene of an accident, casualty, or  
32 disaster to an injured individual, he or she shall not be  
33 liable for any civil damages as a result of his or her acts or  
34 omissions in rendering first aid or emergency care, nor shall  
35 he or she be liable for any civil damages as a result of any  
36 act or failure to act to provide or arrange for further  
37 medical treatment or care for the injured individual.

38 (b) Any member of the crew of a helicopter that is used  
39 in the performance of military assistance to safety and  
40 traffic programs and is engaged in the performance of  
41 emergency medical service acts shall be exempt from personal  
42 liability for any property damages caused by helicopter  
43 downwash or by individuals disembarking from the helicopter.

44 (c) When any physician gratuitously advises medical  
45 personnel at the scene of an emergency episode by direct voice  
46 contact to render medical assistance based upon information  
47 received by voice or biotelemetry equipment, the actions  
48 ordered taken by the physician to sustain life or reduce  
49 disability shall not be considered liable when the actions are  
50 within the established medical procedures.

51 (d) Any individual who is qualified by a federal or  
52 state agency to perform mine rescue planning and recovery  
53 operations, including mine rescue instructors and mine rescue  
54 team members, and any individual designated by an operator  
55 furnishing a mine rescue team to supervise, assist in  
56 planning, or provide service thereto, who, in good faith,



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57 performs or fails to perform any act or service in connection  
58 with mine rescue planning and recovery operations shall not be  
59 liable for any civil damages as a result of any acts or  
60 omissions. Nothing contained in this subsection shall be  
61 construed to exempt from liability any individual responsible  
62 for an overall mine rescue operation, including an operator of  
63 an affected facility and any individual assuming  
64 responsibility therefor under federal or state statutes or  
65 regulations.

66 (e) An individual or entity who, in good faith and  
67 without compensation, renders emergency care or treatment to  
68 an individual suffering or appearing to suffer from cardiac  
69 arrest, which may include the use of an automated external  
70 defibrillator, shall be immune from civil liability for any  
71 personal injury as a result of care or treatment or as a  
72 result of any act or failure to act in providing or arranging  
73 further medical treatment where the individual acts as an  
74 ordinary prudent individual would have acted under the same or  
75 similar circumstances, except damages that may result from the  
76 gross negligence of the individual rendering emergency care.  
77 This immunity shall extend to the licensed physician or  
78 medical authority who is involved in automated external  
79 defibrillator site placement, the individual who provides  
80 training in CPR and the use of the automated external  
81 defibrillator, and the individual or entity responsible for  
82 the site where the automated external defibrillator is  
83 located. This subsection specifically excludes from immunity  
84 any designers, manufacturers, or sellers of automated external



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85 defibrillators for any claims that may be brought against such  
86 entities based upon current Alabama state law.

87 (f) Any licensed engineer, licensed architect, licensed  
88 surveyor, licensed contractor, licensed subcontractor, or  
89 other individual working under the direct supervision of the  
90 licensed individual who participates in emergency response  
91 activities under the direction of, or in connection with, a  
92 community emergency response team ~~certified by the Federal~~  
93 ~~Emergency Management Agency~~ that has completed a community  
94 emergency response team training curriculum recognized by the  
95 Federal Emergency Management Agency, county emergency  
96 management agency, the state emergency management agency, or  
97 the Federal Emergency Management Agency shall not be liable  
98 for any civil damages as a result of any acts, services, or  
99 omissions provided without compensation, in such capacity if  
100 the individual acts as a reasonably prudent individual would  
101 have acted under the same or similar circumstances. The  
102 immunity provided in this subsection shall apply to any acts,  
103 services, or omissions provided within 90 days after  
104 declaration of the emergency.

105 (g) Any individual who, in good faith, renders  
106 emergency care at the scene of an accident or emergency to the  
107 victim or victims thereof without making any charge of goods  
108 or services therefor shall not be liable for any civil damages  
109 as a result of any act or omission by the individual in  
110 rendering emergency care or as a result of any act or failure  
111 to act to provide or arrange for further medical treatment or  
112 care for the injured individual if the individual acts as a



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113 reasonably prudent individual would have acted under the same  
114 or similar circumstances."

115                   Section 2. This act shall become effective on October  
116 1, 2025.



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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and passed the Senate.

Patrick Harris,  
Secretary.

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House of Representatives

Passed: 19-Mar-25

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By: Senator Singleton