



HOUSE BILL 32: Limited Civil Immunity/Ski Patrol Volunteers.

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OVERVIEW: *House Bill 32 would give limited civil immunity to volunteers with the National Ski Patrol System, Inc. (NSP) when rendering first aid or emergency health care to persons when certain conditions exist.*

CURRENT LAW: North Carolina grants limited immunity from civil liability to any person, including a volunteer medical or health care provider at a facility of a local health department or at a nonprofit community health center or a volunteer member of a rescue squad, who voluntarily and without expectation of compensation renders first aid or emergency health care treatment to a person under certain circumstances.

BILL ANALYSIS:

Section 1 would grant limited immunity to a volunteer in good standing with, and certified to render emergency care by, the National Ski Patrol System, Inc., who voluntarily and without the expectation of compensation renders first aid or emergency health care treatment to a person, under all of the following circumstances:

- The person is unconscious, ill, or injured,
- The circumstances require prompt decisions and actions in medical or other health care,
- Any delay in treatment would seriously worsen the condition or endanger the life of the person, and
- The injuries or death were not caused by the gross negligence, wanton conduct, or intentional wrongdoing of the volunteer.

"Compensation" shall not include complimentary lift tickets, food, lodging, or other gifts provided by any resort, group, or agency as a gratuity to a volunteer of the NSP.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This act becomes effect October 1, 2017.

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