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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. OTIS, BUTTENSCHON, CLARK, LUPARDO, SANTABARBARA, EACHUS, LEVENBERG -- read once and referred to the Committee on Local Governments -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the general municipal law in relation to emergency medical services

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. The opening paragraph of subdivision 1 of section 122-b of the general municipal law, as amended by chapter 471 of the laws of 2011, is amended and a new paragraph (g) is added to read as follows:

[~~Any~~] **General ambulance services are an essential service. Every** county, city, town [~~or~~] **and** village, acting individually or jointly **or in conjunction with a special district**, [~~may provide~~] **shall ensure that** an emergency medical service, a general ambulance service or a combination of such services **are provided** for the purpose of providing prehospital emergency medical treatment or transporting sick or injured persons found within the boundaries of the municipality or the municipalities acting jointly to a hospital, clinic, sanatorium or other place for treatment of such illness or injury, [~~and for~~] **provided, however, the provisions of this subdivision shall not apply to a city with a population of one million or more. In furtherance of** that purpose**, a county, city, town or village** may:

(g) Establish a special district for the financing and operation of general ambulance services as set forth by this section, whereby any county, city, town or village, acting individually, or jointly with any other county, city, town and/or village, through its governing body or bodies, following applicable procedures as are required for the establishment of fire districts in article eleven of the town law or following applicable procedures as are required for the establishment of joint fire districts in article eleven-A of the town law, with such special

EXPLANATION--Matter in *italics* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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district being authorized by this section to be established in all or any part of any such participating county or counties, town or towns, city or cities and/or village or villages.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.