



Business Impact Estimate

This form should be included in the "set for public hearing" agenda item for ordinances, and must be posted on the County's website by the time notice of the proposed ordinance is published.

Ordinance title/reference:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, PERTAINING TO CERTIFICATE CLASSIFICATIONS; AMENDING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 3½ OF THE BROWARD COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES ("CODE"); PROVIDING FOR DEFINITIONS AND CLASS 7 ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT AND BASIC LIFE SUPPORT SERVICES; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

If any of the following exceptions to the Business Impact Estimate requirement apply, check the applicable box and leave the remainder of the form blank.

- ☐ The ordinance is required for compliance with federal or state law or regulation;
- ☐ The ordinance relates to the issuance or refinancing of debt;
- ☐ The ordinance relates to the adoption of budgets or budget amendments, including revenue sources necessary to fund the budget;
- ☐ The ordinance is required to implement a contract or an agreement, including, but not limited to, any federal, state, local, or private grant, or other financial assistance accepted by the County;
- ☐ The ordinance is an emergency ordinance;
- ☐ The ordinance relates to procurement; or
- ☐ The ordinance is enacted to implement the following:
 - a. Development orders and development permits, as defined in Section 163.3164, and development agreements authorized under the Florida Local Government Development Agreement Act;
 - b. Comprehensive plan amendments and land development regulation amendments initiated by application by a non-municipal private party;
 - c. Sections 190.005 and 190.046, regarding community development districts;
 - d. Section 553.73, relating to the Florida Building Code; or
 - e. Section 633.202, relating to the Florida Fire Prevention Code.

1. Summary of the proposed ordinance (must include statement of the public purpose, such as serving the public health, safety, morals, and welfare): Nonemergency medical transportation services play a critical role in protecting public health and safety. Current regulatory classifications and Certificate structures do not specifically address routine patient transfers originating from an airport following air ambulance arrival or from a cruise port following vessel arrival. Establishing a new Class 7 Certificate would expand patient transport options and address a specific area for nonemergency medical transport.

The proposed Ordinance, if enacted, would amend Chapter 3½ of the Code to create a Class 7 ALS and BLS airport and cruise port service classification for EMS providers performing routine transfers for patients arriving by air ambulance at an airport or by vessel at a cruise port.

Class 7 Certificates would limit the EMS providers to transporting patients from an airport or cruise port and do not allow the EMS providers to respond to 911 or emergency calls or transport patients to emergency departments for acute medical care. Applications for Class 7 Certificates will be processed in the same manner as other Certificates, with updated requirements to identify vehicles dedicated to airport or cruise port transfers.

A Class 7 Certificate would be valid for five years, unless otherwise revoked, suspended, or modified by the Board.

2. Estimate of direct economic impact of the proposed ordinance on private, for-profit businesses in Broward County, including, if applicable:

- a. Estimate of direct compliance costs that businesses may reasonably incur;
- b. Any new charge or fee imposed by the proposed ordinance; and
- c. Estimate of the County's regulatory costs, including estimated revenues from any new charges or fees to cover such costs.

It is estimated that the direct economic impact of the proposed ordinance on private, for-profit businesses will be minimal. There are no new charges or fees imposed by the proposed ordinance and the County's regulatory costs are expected to be minimal.

3. Estimate of the number of businesses likely to be impacted by the proposed ordinance:

The number of businesses likely to be impacted by the proposed ordinance cannot be estimated.

4. Additional information (if any):