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Bill Analysis

SB 1867 directs the State Department of Health to establish a system of hospital designations that will promote and coordinate emergency care for acute coronary syndrome (ACS) patients. The system shall be comprised of Level 1, Level 2, and Level 3 Heart Attack Centers. Each level shall be based on the heart attack certification issued by the Joint Commission and the American Heart Association. The designation shall be automatic. The measure directs the Department to annually update the designations. The measure also requires all ambulance authorities to establish prehospital care protocols related to the assessment, treatment, transport, and routing of ACS patients. The protocols shall take into consideration the Level designation for hospitals.

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