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South Dakota law requires that anyone engaged in the business of selling or exchanging new or used authorized emergency vehicles shall have an emergency vehicle dealer's license. An emergency vehicle dealer's license is also required in the event of submission of a bid proposal of an emergency vehicle for sale by a person not exempt under the dealer statute, if the bid proposal is offered in response to a bid request originating in this state.

An "emergency vehicle dealer" is defined as any person who converts or manufacturers authorized emergency vehicles and who, for commission or with intent to make a profit or gain, sells, exchanges, rents with option to purchase, offers, or attempts to negotiate a sale or exchange of new, or new and used authorized emergency vehicles, or who is engaged wholly or in part in the business of selling new, or new and used authorized emergency vehicles. The term also includes the submission of a bid proposal for the sale of a vehicle if the bid proposal is offered in response to a bid request originating in this state.

An "authorized emergency vehicle" is defined as any vehicle of a fire department and any ambulance and emergency vehicle of a municipal department or public service corporation that are designed or authorized by the Department of Commerce and Regulation.

An emergency vehicle dealer is exempt from the requirement of having its principal place of business in South Dakota and is not required to secure a separate license for each county it operates within.

Any out-of-state dealer that applies for an emergency vehicle dealer's license and whose principal place of business is not located in South Dakota must provide proof it is a licensed dealer in another state and attest that there are no outstanding dealer violations against the dealership. The dealer is allowed to verify that there are no outstanding dealer violations by attesting to such on an affidavit.

The following requirements must be met before a license can be issued:

- 1) Application for license;
- 2) \$300 initial license fee; \$175 renewal license fee;
- 3) \$10,000 surety bond;
- 4) \$300,000 liability insurance on principal place of business (principal place of business does not have to be in South Dakota).