



June 28, 2017

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The Honorable Mike McGuire  
Chair, Senate Governance and Finance Committee  
State Capitol, Room 408  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: AB 1250 (Jones-Sawyer): Counties: contracts for personal services  
As amended on June 21, 2017 – OPPOSE  
Set for Hearing July 5, 2017 – Senate Governance and Finance Committee**

Dear Senator McGuire:

The Emergency Medical Services Administrators Association of California (EMSAAC) and the Emergency Medical Directors Association of California (EMDAC) are opposed to AB 1250, introduced by Assembly Member Reginald Jones-Sawyer, Sr., which would impose unnecessary costs and restrictions on counties and their local emergency medical services agencies to enter into contracts and agreements with physicians, surgeons, and other emergency medical services providers.

Local EMS agencies routinely and regularly contract with physicians and surgeons to serve as the medical directors of local EMS systems. This allows local EMS agencies to retain physicians with substantial experience and expertise in emergency medicine to provide the leadership needed to guide the delivery of prehospital emergency medical care to the millions of Californians experiencing acute illness and injury every year. The unimpeded ability for local EMS agencies to contract with physicians and surgeons is as essential to patient survival as rapid transport to cardiac and trauma centers.

EMSAAC represents the 33 local emergency medical services (EMS) agency administrators representing all of California's 58 counties. The mission of the Emergency Medical Directors Association of California, Inc. (EMDAC) is to provide leadership and expert opinion in the medical oversight, direction and coordination of Emergency Medical Services for the people of the State of California.

If you should have any questions, please contact EMSAAC's Legislative Chair Dan Burch at (209) 468-6818.

Sincerely,

*As signed by*

Bryan Cleaver  
EMSAAC President

*As signed by*

Marianne Gausche-Hill, MD  
EMDAC President

cc: The Honorable Reginald Jones-Sawyer, Sr., Member, California State Assembly  
The Honorable Lorena Gonzalez Fletcher, Member, California State Assembly  
The Honorable Rob Bonta, Member, California State Assembly  
Honorable Members, Senate Governance and Finance Committee  
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