

**R036-0607**

10     **A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE EFFICIENCY AND EXPANSION OF**  
20     **MARYLAND MEDICAL EMERGENCY SYSTEMS**

30     **WHEREAS:**     Maryland hospitals receive an average of 2.2 million emergency department  
40                     visits per year. Often these establishments experience such problems as patient  
50                     overcrowding, staffing shortages, limited funding, and lack of system  
60                     coordination; and,

70     **WHEREAS:**     Robert R. Bass, the current Executive Director of the Maryland Institute for  
80                     EMS Systems, recently reported the need for improved hospital efficiency  
90                     which includes department expansion and better funding systems for hospitals.

100    **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** That the Maryland Student Legislature urges the Governor  
110                     and the Maryland General Assembly to consider increasing the yearly  
120                     Emergency Medical Systems Appropriations funding allowing the expansion of  
130                     emergency department space and for the increase of professional staffing; and,

140    **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the Health and Human Services Subcommittee work more  
150                     closely with Maryland Emergency Service officials to design a more effective  
160                     and coordinated emergency care system.

170    **MANDATES:**     Governor Martin O'Malley  
180                     Speaker of the House Michael E. Busch  
190                     President of the Senate Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.  
200                     Health and Human Services Subcommittee Chair Ed Kaseymeyer

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