

**Fifty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 4, 2005**

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4006
(Senators Klein, O'Connell, Stenehjem)
(Representatives Berg, Boucher, Devlin)

A concurrent resolution urging the National Emergency Medical Services Scope of Practice Model Review Team to reconsider significantly raising the training requirements of emergency medical services providers.

WHEREAS, North Dakota has a predominantly voluntary emergency medical services workforce; and

WHEREAS, emergency medical services volunteers give a substantial amount of their personal time to be on duty twenty-four hours per day seven days a week to render care and to transport the sick and injured, and these volunteers are a vital component of public safety; and

WHEREAS, the National Emergency Medical Services Scope of Practice Model would significantly increase the number of training hours required to become an emergency medical technician, eliminate the emergency medical technician intermediate level, and restrict the procedures that a paramedic could perform; and

WHEREAS, increasing the emergency medical services provider's training requirements may discourage individuals from volunteering as emergency medical services providers;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

That the Fifty-ninth Legislative Assembly urges the National Emergency Medical Services Scope of Practice Model Review Team to reconsider significantly raising the training requirements of emergency medical services providers; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the model review team be requested to not eliminate the emergency medical technician intermediate level and to not restrict procedures currently permitted to be performed by paramedics; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State forward a copy of this resolution to each member of the National Emergency Medical Services Scope of Practice Model Review Team, the executive director of the National Association of State EMS Directors, the administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, and each member of the North Dakota Congressional Delegation.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2005,
at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State