

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4

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A Concurrent Resolution recognizing the importance of training for emergency medical services (EMS) dispatcher operators and identifying legislative intent.

WHEREAS, the general assembly recognizes the need for quality emergency medical services; and

WHEREAS, the telecommunicator or emergency medical services dispatch operator is a critical link in providing high quality emergency medical services, particularly in the first hour when providing appropriate care is critical and can dramatically increase the chances of survival of an injured person; and

WHEREAS, when properly trained, a telecommunicator enhances the ability of EMS providers to provide such high quality emergency medical services; and

WHEREAS, section 80B.11C was enacted during the 1996 legislative session requiring the director of the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy to adopt rules establishing minimum standards for training of telecommunicators; NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That the Director of the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy is strongly urged to adopt as soon as possible all necessary and appropriate rules regarding the training of Iowa telecommunicators, as directed in section 80B.11C, and to implement such training to ensure that Iowans

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1 continue to receive high quality emergency medical
2 services.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon passage by both
4 the Senate and the House of Representatives, a copy of
5 this resolution be delivered to the Director of the
6 Iowa Law Enforcement Academy.

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