

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4006

Introduced by

Senators Klein, O'Connell, Stenehjem

Representatives Berg, Boucher, Devlin

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

24 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward a copy of this
25 resolution to each member of the National Emergency Medical Services Scope of Practice

- 1 Model Review Team, the executive director of the National Association of State EMS Directors,
- 2 the administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, and each member of
- 3 the North Dakota Congressional Delegation.