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July 2, 2007

The Honorable Gloria Romero
Member, California State Senate
State Capitol, Room 313
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Senator Romero:

SUBJECT: SB 261 – SUPPORT AS PROPOSED TO BE AMENDED

The Emergency Medical Services Administrators Association of California (EMSAAC) supports Senate Bill 261, relating to statewide trauma care, as proposed to be amended. EMSAAC would like to thank you for working with us to incorporate strategies into SB 261 which we believe will be a significant step forward in improving California's trauma care system.

Specific amendments that we understand will be taken include:

Deletion of paragraphs (b) through (d) in Section 1797.1991 relating to trauma care coordinating regions (page 6, lines 9 through 38 and page 7, lines 1 and 2).

Changes to Section 1797.1991, paragraph (a), to reflect that the Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA) shall assure compliance with EMSA approved trauma plans.

Our Association greatly appreciates the long-standing, on-going efforts you have made on behalf of our trauma hospitals and systems.

Very truly yours,

Bruce H. Lee
President

cc: The Honorable Mervyn Dymally, Chair, Assembly Health Committee
Members, Assembly Health Committee