



MEMORANDUM

From the office of the

Placer County Board of Supervisors

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To: Honorable Board of Supervisors
From: Jim Holmes, Supervisor District 3
Date: June 13, 2006
Subject: Support Letter for Senate Bill 1350 (Romero)

ACTION REQUESTED

Authorize the Chairman to execute the attached letter to Senator Gloria Romero supporting Senate Bill 1350, which would appropriate State General Fund dollars to the Trauma Care Fund.

BACKGROUND

Sierra-Sacramento Valley Emergency Medical Services Agency, our local EMS Agency representing the counties of Sacramento, Yolo, Yuba, Sutter, Nevada and Placer, supports Senate Bill 1350. Trauma Care Fund monies are necessary for providing trauma care services to the 300,000 residents of Placer County. As a Governing Board Member of the Sierra Sacramento Valley Emergency Medical Services Agency, I urge you to participate in supporting SB 1350 for the following reasons:

- 1- SB 1350 would allow for General fund monies to be allocated to the Trauma Care Fund and would require the development of an inclusive statewide trauma system consisting of 4 –5 trauma care regions.
- 2- SB 1350 outlines the necessity for Trauma Care Fund monies to be utilized in the development of a statewide regionally based trauma care system that provides access and timely delivery of trauma care services to all residents.
- 3- SB 1350 would require the development of regional trauma system plans to eliminate gaps in coverage for life saving trauma care services to patients without resources, thus decreasing the cost of indigent care and uncompensated care to hospitals and physicians.
- 4- SB 1350 would have specific language that protects the county's current responsibilities and provides that the State will not interfere with those functions.

FISCAL IMPACTS

None

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May 24, 2006

The Honorable Senator Gloria Romero
State Capitol – Room 313
Sacramento CA 95814

Dear Senator Romero:

The Placer County Board of Supervisors supports SB 1350.

Placer County represents a population of over 300,000 California residents. As one of the fastest growing counties in California, health care and trauma care coverage is an essential service provided to our residents. The Placer County Board of Supervisors supports SB 1350 for the following reasons:

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For these reasons, the Placer County Board of Supervisors offers our support for SB1350.

Sincerely,

Bill Santucci, Chairman
PLACER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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