

September 13, 2017

The Honorable Rick Jones
Michigan Senate
PO Box 30036
Lansing, MI 48909

Ms. Harriet Miller-Brown
State 9-1-1 Administrator
7150 Harris Drive
Dimondale, MI 48821

Re: SB 400 and HB 4651

Dear Senator Jones and Ms. Miller-Brown:

The Michigan Association of Ambulance Services (MAAS) supports Senate Bill 400 and House Bill 4651.

As technology advances, it is imperative that communities have the means to provide the necessary infrastructure to support the communication technology. Funding to keep up with these advances has been a serious issue for many parts of the State.

SB 400 and HB 4651 provide much-needed stable funding for migration to Next Generation 9-1-1 services. Additionally, these bills are important to maintain ongoing operational levels of emergency service to Michigan residents. The bills provide this funding while allowing a mechanism to ensure revenues generated are used for authorized services.

MAAS looks forward to continuing to work with all interested stakeholders for final passage of the legislation. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions at (517) 281-4695 or via email at angela@miambulance.org.

Sincerely,



Angela L. Madden
Executive Director