

Maryland Municipal League

The Association of Maryland's Cities and Towns

TESTIMONY

January 19, 2022

Committee: House Health & Government Operations

Bill:______HB 44 - Maryland Medical Assistance Program - Emergency Service

Transporters – Reimbursement

Position: Favorable

Reason for Position:

The Maryland Municipal League writes in support of House Bill 44, which allows emergency service providers to be reimbursed for eligible services from the Maryland Medical Assistance Program.

Current law only acknowledges care delivered by emergency medical staff under minimal conditions for insurance billing purposes. This does not reflect the reality of emergency care. Emergency service transporter staff can, and often does, provide significant services on site without requiring actual medical transport. Without this legislation, those medical professionals would not be eligible for reimbursement for their work despite the significant value they provide to the public.

For these reasons, the Maryland Municipal League supports House Bill 44 and respectfully requests a favorable vote.

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