

1 study of Montana's emergency medical services and support needed for these services to remain viable in
2 Montana communities.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the committee conducting the study shall:

4 (1) review various reports and studies about the emergency medical services system and emergency
5 medical services;

6 (2) review legislation introduced during previous legislative sessions intended to support and modify
7 emergency services and analyze the reasons for and the outcomes of the legislation;

8 (3) review how recruitment and retention, education, reciprocity, funding, medical oversight, and other
9 issues affect the availability of emergency medical services response, particularly in rural communities;

10 (4) review the benefits and support provided to paid and volunteer emergency medical services and
11 emergency care providers and the financial capacity of governments to provide the benefits and support;

12 (5) examine sources of revenue for emergency medical services and how services are reimbursed by
13 citizens, insurance companies, and state and federal agencies;

14 (6) review the system of medical direction of emergency care providers and how quality improvement
15 strategies can improve delivery of emergency medical response; and

16 (7) review the current structure of Montana's emergency medical services system and determine
17 whether modifications to statutes or to state or local policies are warranted to achieve adequacy, consistency,
18 and regulatory efficiencies.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the study is assigned to staff, any findings or conclusions be
20 presented to and reviewed by an appropriate committee designated by the Legislative Council.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the committee that is assigned the study solicit participation and
22 input from local governments, paid and volunteer emergency medical services and emergency care providers,
23 representatives of emergency medical services and fire organizations, representatives from the Department of
24 Public Health and Human Services, the Department of Labor and Industry, the Montana Hospital Association,
25 the Montana Medical Association, and any other entity that the committee considers appropriate.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all aspects of the study, including presentation and review
27 requirements, be concluded prior to September 15, 2022.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the final results of the study, including any findings, conclusions,

1 comments, or recommendations of the appropriate committee be reported to the 68th Legislature.

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