RESOLUTION \_\_

ENSURE THAT THE BOARD OF EMS CONSIDERS FISCAL AND PERSONNEL CAPACITY OF THE MAINE EMS OFFICE PRIOR TO IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW RULES RELATED TO LD 1258.

**Preamble:**

The Maine Board of Emergency Medical Services (“the Board”) recognizes the criticality of implementation of LD 1258 (a bill heard in the 130th Legislature in the State of Maine) and its impact on ambulance services throughout Maine.

Further, the Board understands that, should LD 1258 pass, it will require the Board to promulgate rules and protocols for the implementation of cost data collection and analysis, as well as developing a program through which need is assessed before granting new EMS service licenses.

**Resolve:**

The Board resolves that through the rule and protocol-making process, it will work collaboratively with the Director of Maine EMS to evaluate the workload created by the implementation of the rules and protocols. The Board agrees that, should there be additional workload required by the Bureau of EMS, it will require implementation timelines that are contingent on proper funding that allows the Maine EMS office to be adequately staffed, and will advocate, as part of the February 2023 report-out to the legislature, for the funding of resources necessary to support the new processes.