



Tompkins County Council of Governments

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RESOLUTION NO. 2025-04

Resolution Urging Governor Hochul to Sign S.7501 - A / A.8086 - A to Strengthen Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Statewide

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dan Lamb, Co-Chair, Town of Dryden
SECONDER:	Joel Gagnon, Member, Town of Danby
AYES:	Ainslie, Gagnon, Groff, Hart, James, Lamb, Lynch, Murphy, Olson, St. Perez, Witmer

WHEREAS, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) are a vital part of New York's public safety, public health, and healthcare systems-providing life-saving care in time-sensitive emergencies where delays in response can significantly worsen outcomes, and

WHEREAS, the New York State Legislature has passed S.7501 A / A.8086 A, which requires each county to work in coordination with its Regional EMS Council and local governments to develop a countywide EMS plan within six months of enactment, and

WHEREAS, the bill mandates an assessment of current EMS coverage, identification of service gaps, proposed organizational models, and cost projections to support equitable and reliable EMS access for all residents, and

WHEREAS, this legislation provides a flexible framework for counties to partner with municipal, nonprofit, for-profit, and regional entities to deliver EMS efficiently and sustainably, and

WHEREAS, rising EMS response delays, staffing challenges, and funding constraints across New York highlight the urgent need for coordinated, county-level planning backed by state review, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Tompkins County Council of Government (TCCOG) urges Governor Kathy Hochul to sign S.7501 A / A.8086 A into law without delay,

RESOLVED, further, That copies of this resolution be sent to: Governor Kathy Hochul, Senator Lea Webb, Senator Shelley Mayer, Assemblymember Anna Kelles, and Assemblymember Steve Otis.