

# SUPPORT THE SAVE RURAL EMS BILL

HF337  
SF1080

## THE PROBLEM

Emergency Medical Services (EMS) in Minnesota continue to face **critical** challenges to delivering services across the state. **Severe** reimbursement shortfalls, aging workforces, **unsustainable** staffing models, and **increased operating costs** are forcing communities to make tough decisions. **Unreliable federal funding** only exacerbates this **crisis**, resulting in **life-threatening consequences** for families and their communities.

The legislature must take action **NOW**.



## THE ASK



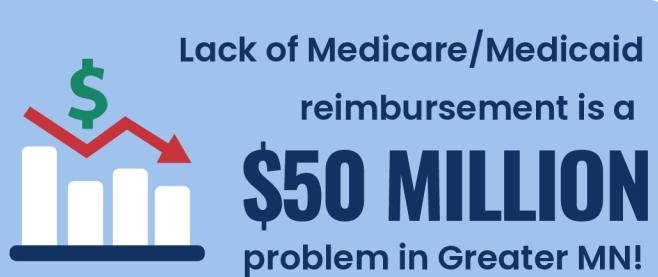
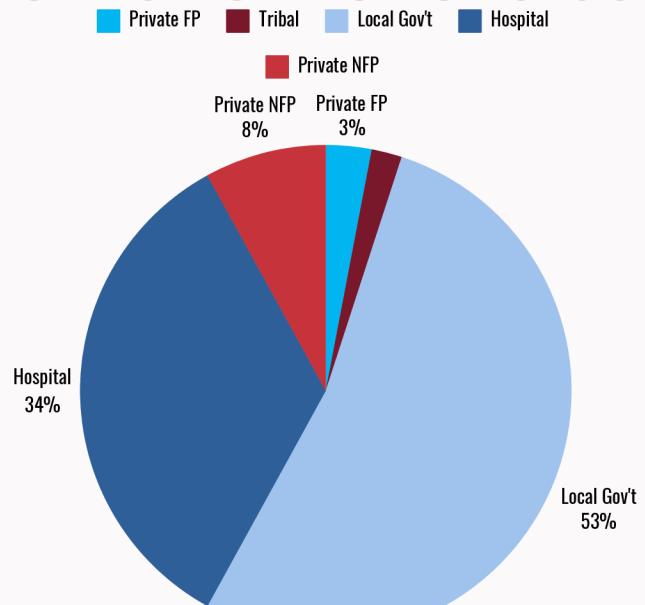
The fee-for-service model of funding EMS is failing. Right now, services and personnel are struggling to maintain operations. We support the passage of HF337/SF1080 that creates a dedicated fund providing a new revenue source and formula for grant distribution to ensure Minnesota's vital ambulance services continue to operate.

## THE COMMITMENT

This legislation lays out a plan for increased accountability, transparency, and verifiable data as part of our commitment to establishing a sustainable revenue source that will ensure communities across the state have access to quality EMS. Long-term funding, coupled with improvements to the service model, will support EMS providers in their mission to provide essential, lifesaving care to all Minnesotans.



## OWNERSHIP OF AMBULANCE LICENSES



Without a long-term viable financial solution, these ambulance services are simply **NOT SUSTAINABLE.**



## IT IS TIME TO PRIORITIZE EMS DELIVERY FOR OUR COMMUNITIES.

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# WHO WE ARE



A partnership of 16 organizations from across Minnesota coming together to advocate for EMS delivery & sustainability.



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**Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities**  
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**Essentia Health**  
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**Hibbing Fire Department**  
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**League of Minnesota Cities**  
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**Mayo Clinic Ambulance Service**  
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**Minnesota Ambulance Association**  
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**Minnesota Association of Small Cities**  
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**North Memorial Health**  
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**Range Association of Municipalities & Schools**  
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**Sanford Health**  
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**Southeastern Minnesota League of Municipalities**  
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**Stevens County Ambulance Service**  
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