

Dear Committee Members,

As the Fire Chief of the North Haven Fire Department, I urge you to support HB 5911, An Act Concerning Restructuring of the Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board (EMSAB).

The current EMSAB has 41 members which is far too big to be effective. While this board may have been an appropriate size when it was established, the dynamic demands on EMS providers now dictate that our EMS System be able to react in real time today's challenges.

Reviewing the structure of the EMSAB and modifying it to better suit today's EMS System is a fantastic opportunity for the Connecticut to reevaluate the current stake holders in the current EMS System, assure that they are all appropriately represented and to charge this new EMSAB with establishing a vision and an associated strategic plan for Connecticut's EMS System with specific, articulated benchmarks, deliverables, and deadlines.

Please support HB 5911 and restructure the EMSAB to better suit the needs of our EMS Providers and their patients.

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