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The Honorable Anna Caballero, Chair Senate Appropriations Committee State Capitol, Room 2200 Sacramento, CA 95814

## Re: SB 1180 (Ashby). Health Care Coverage: Emergency Medical Services (EMS). Support (As amended April 29, 2024) Hearing: May 6, 2024

Dear Senator Caballero:

On behalf of the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors, I write to support SB 1180 as recently amended.

The measure requires healthcare plans and health insurance policies to provide reimbursement for community paramedicine, triage to alternative destination, and mobile integrated health program services.

We thank the author for her amendment to strike out the definition of "mobile integrated health program" to mean "a fire department-based team of licensed health care practitioners, operating within their scope of practice, who provide mobile health services to support the emergency medical services system." This bill now ensures the feasibility of these important programs necessary to support the EMS system, and appropriately makes reimbursement available to all applicable and approved EMS system providers.

For these reasons, Sacramento County is pleased to support SB 1180. Please feel free to contact me at (916) 874-4627 or <u>deborde@saccounty.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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cc: Hon. Angelique Ashby Sacramento County Delegation Sacramento County Board of Supervisors Audrey Ratajczak, Cruz Strategies John Poland, EMSAAC