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Emergency Medical Services AB 1607

- CA Maddy Emergency Medical Services Fund
- Keeps in place existing funding to reimburse counties for costs related to EMS
- 15% pediatric trauma allocation



AB 2346 Electric Bicycles

- Require speedometers on all Class 2 e-bikes (throttle assist with no pedaling needed, electric motor $\leq$ 750 watts, max speed 20mph) sold after Jan 1, 2029
- Authorize local authorities to set speed limits on bicycle paths or multiuse trails
- Set speed limit of 10 mph on sidewalks
- Require sellers and distributors of e-bikes to provide information at or before point of sale of each e-bike on: Class, max speed, battery wattage, any age restrictions, helmet requirements, written description of CA e-bike laws, website address for safety and training program information



San Diego Chapter



August 22, 2026

The Honorable Gavin Newsom
Governor, State of California
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Request for Signature on AB 2346 (Wilson, Berman) – Vehicles: Electric Bicycles and Speed Limits

Dear Governor Newsom:

On behalf of the Southern California, San Diego and Northern California Chapters of the American College of Surgeons (ACS), we offer our strongest support as the united ACS Joint Advocacy Committee as a co-sponsor for Assembly Bill 2346: Safer E-Bikes, Safer Communities Act.

As California's surgeons, we have gathered existing data to raise awareness among policymakers of the emerging hazards of electric bikes (e-bikes). The popularity of e-bikes has led to a significant increase in riders involved in crashes over the last three years, resulting in serious disability and death. Data from the National Electronic Injury Surveillance System demonstrated that e-bike riders have a materially different risk and injury profile from riders of conventional bicycles. The increased speed, increased stopping distance, and heavier bicycles all contribute to e-bicycle injuries that more closely resemble those of motorcycles. There has been a dramatic increase in alarms raised through news media outlets regarding the safety of e-bikes, and the need for greater regulation.

Current California law for e-bikes, like most other states, has a maximum motor power of 750 watts and top speed of either 20 mph (Class 1 and 2) or 28 mph (Class 3). Many devices marketed in California as e-bikes have much higher motor power and/or faster motor-assisted speeds than allowed by state law as outlined in the recently published Mineta Report. Thus, consumers are purchasing illegal e-bikes that can achieve speeds similar to mopeds and motorcycles.

Safe CA Roads Coalition

- **SB 907 (Braun's Law)**, strengthening protections against repeat impaired drivers. The law helps ensure that individuals whose DUI charges are reduced to a lesser offense receive a clear warning that driving impaired again and taking a life could result in more serious charges, including murder.
- **AB 1546**, strengthening criminal penalties for repeat DUI offenders.
- **AB 1685**, increasing DMV violation points from two to three for convictions involving vehicular manslaughter and gross vehicular manslaughter while intoxicated.
- **AB 1687 (Irene's Law)**, imposing longer license-revocation periods and ignition interlock requirement



Safe CA Roads Coalition

- AB 1830: Ignition Interlock Devices
- Held in Submission



August 31, 2026

The Honorable Sabrina Cervantes
Chair, Senate Appropriations Committee
1021 O Street, Suite 7330
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 1830 (Petrie-Norris): Ignition Interlock Devices — SUPPORT AND REQUEST FOR AMENDMENTS

Dear Senator Cervantes:

On behalf of the Safe California Roads Coalition, representing more than 60 organizations working to prevent impaired driving, supporting victims and survivors, and making California's roads safer, we write in support of AB 1830 (Petrie-Norris) and respectfully request the removal of recently added language allowing a person convicted of a first-time DUI to serve a license suspension instead of installing an ignition interlock device (IID)

AB 1830's core requirement, that individuals convicted of DUI, including first-time offenders, install an IID, is a direct and effective public-safety measure. An IID physically prevents an impaired driver from starting a vehicle. A license suspension does not.

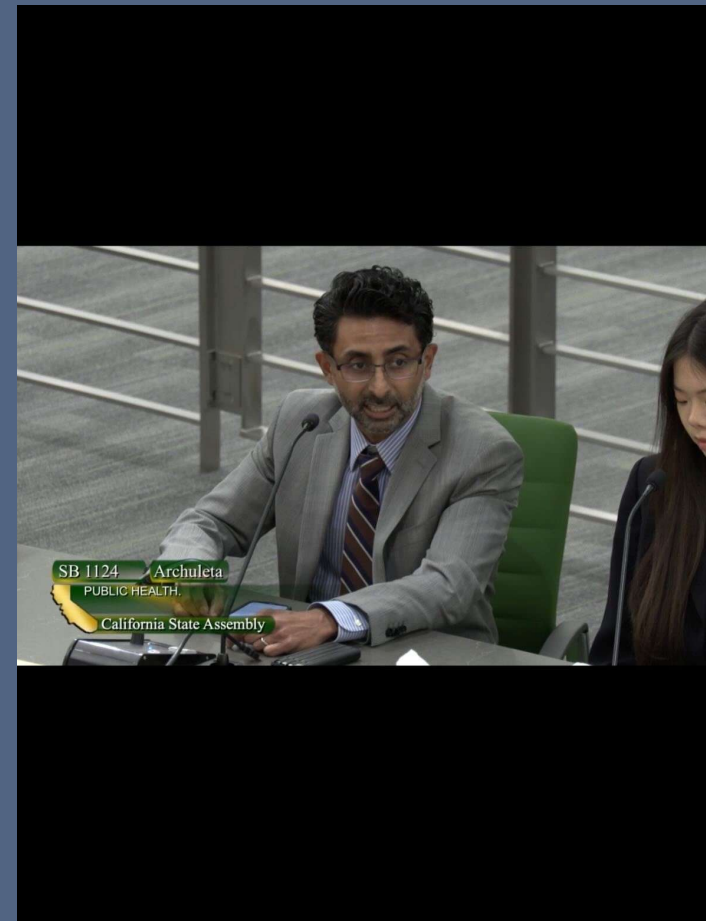
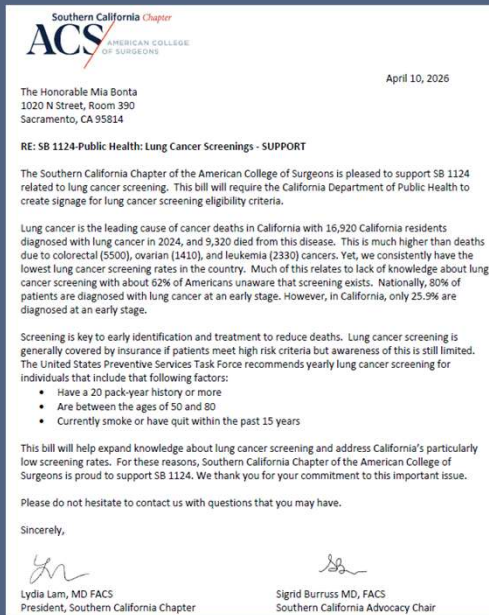
Although a suspended driver is legally prohibited from driving, nothing physically prevents that individual from getting behind the wheel. Allowing a suspension in lieu of IID installation therefore creates an unnecessary gap in the bill's protections.

Moreover, a "first-time offender" is not necessarily someone who has driven impaired only once. Traffic safety research has long demonstrated that many impaired drivers drive under the influence repeatedly before their first arrest. Allowing those convicted of DUI to choose an unmonitored suspension places that risk back on innocent drivers, passengers, pedestrians, bicyclists, roadside workers, and families.

Requiring an IID does not deny individuals a path forward. It allows them to continue driving legally to work, attend treatment, care for their families, and meet other responsibilities, while providing a meaningful safeguard against driving after drinking. It

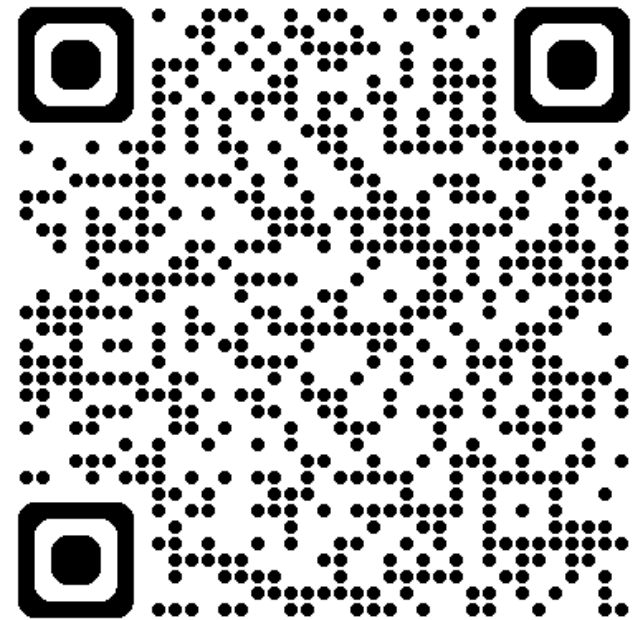
SB 1124 Lung Cancer Information

- Requires lung cancer screening signage at places that dispense tobacco product



CMA Collaboration

- Physician Health and Wellness program
- Prior authorization
- Medicare Reimbursement



Protect Access to Care HR 9693

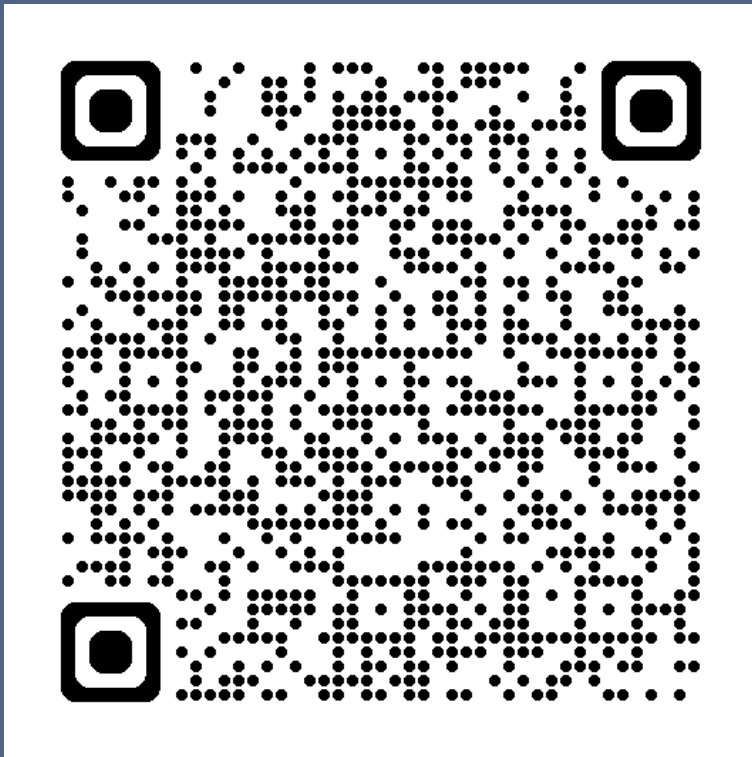


- Reform the Medicare Physician Payment System
- Provide a permanent annual payment update tied to the Medicare Economic Index
- Modernize budget neutrality policies
- Create physician led process for developing clinically relevant quality measures
- Expand opportunities for physicians to participate in alternative payment models

Prehospital Blood

- **The Reimbursing Emergency Services for Critical Use of Emergency (RESCUE) Blood Act**
- **Would require Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement for blood or blood products administered by ground ambulances prior to or during transport. National ACS is working on this but bill is not yet introduced.**

Hospital Emergency Preparedness



- Develop of cohesive emergency preparedness plan including sharing of resource availability
- Identification of stakeholders with ongoing discussions

Looking to the Year Ahead

- Prehospital Blood
- RMOCC Development and Funding
- Ignition Interlock Devices
- Electric Bicycle Safety
- Cancer Screening
- Physician Wellness
- Prior authorization/utilization review
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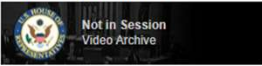
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May 3, 2021 by Margaret Wood

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- https://openstates.org/find_your_legislator/
- Look up your representatives both in senate and assembly for your state that you are registered to vote in.

CA STATE info to follow state policy and law in progress.

- <http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov>

ACS Surgeons Voice

Support Legislation to Stop the Cut to Work RVUs!

Urge your representative to cosponsor H.R. 7520 the "Efficiency Adjustment Delay Act" and ensure surgeons are compensated appropriately!

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Urge Congress to Oppose OMB's Proposed Changes to Federal Research Funding

Proposed changes to the federal grantmaking process could undermine research and patient care.

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Participate in Advocacy at Home!

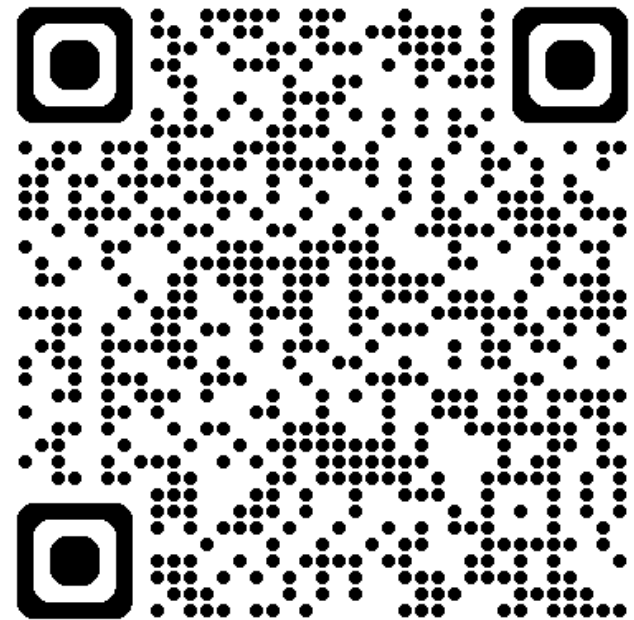
Participate in the Advocacy at Home program, a grassroots advocacy initiative designed to connect surgeons with their elected officials throughout the summer and fall months.

Visit

Urge Your Members of Congress to Cosponsor the Improving Seniors' Timely Access to Care Act

Surgeons across the country are facing setbacks in providing services to patients because of prior authorization processes that are overly stringent and wrongly implemented both by private insurance companies and by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) contractors that administer Medicare Advantage health plans. The American College of Surgeons is working with Congressional leaders to bring more transparency and efficiency to PA

Write



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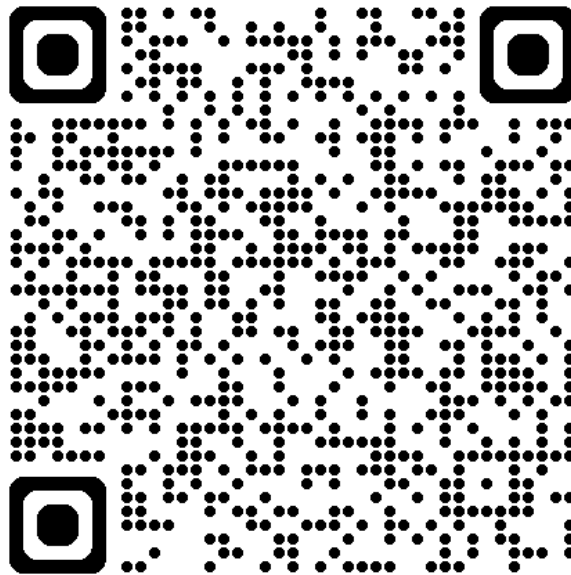
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