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3 **Title: Creation of Electronic Do-Not-Resuscitate System**
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9 **Referred to: Reference Committee E**
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11 **House Action: Referred to the Board for Study**
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14 **Whereas, the Michigan Do Not Resuscitate Procedure Act, Act 193 of**
15 **1996, provides for the execution of a do-not-resuscitate order for a patient in a**
16 **setting outside of a hospital, a nursing home, or a mental health facility owned**
17 **or operated by the department of community health, and**
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19 **Whereas, this policy and procedure is intended to relieve pre-hospital**
20 **care providers of the burden and responsibility for making moral, legal and**
21 **ethical decisions in the field regarding patient competency, authenticity of**
22 **documents, and legality of requests and relationships, and**
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24 **Whereas, once a competent adult has discussed the issue with his/her**
25 **physician, the attending physician must sign the order, and**
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27 **Whereas, the Do-Not-Resuscitate (DNR) order must be “distributed” to**
28 **the proper agencies, and**
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30 **Whereas, DNR forms executed under the Michigan Do Not Resuscitate**
31 **Procedure Act shall include, but are not limited to, specific language and a**
32 **template form, and**
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34 **Whereas, the process of registering and recording a DNR form is slow**
35 **and laborious paper process, requiring travel to and from the local county**
36 **health department along with the record having to pass through multiple units**
37 **within the health care system, and**
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39 **Whereas, an Electronic Do Not Resuscitate System can simplify the**
40 **registry process by allowing attending physicians to initiate a DNR order**
41 **directly to a state database, and**
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43 **Whereas, utilizing online certifiers can, in most cases, reduce the entire**
44 **registration process from several days to just a few hours; therefore be it**
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46 **RESOLVED: That MSMS support the development and implementation of**
47 **a state-wide Electronic Do-Not-Resuscitate System registry; and be it further**

48 **RESOLVED: That MSMS work with state and local health departments,**
49 **Emergency Medical Services, and the appropriate agencies to create and**
50 **implement a state-wide Electronic Do-Not-Resuscitate System registry; and be**
51 **it further**

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53 **RESOLVED: That MSMS encourage attending physicians and all**
54 **authorized entities of DNR orders in the state of Michigan to immediately enter**
55 **patient information into a state-wide Electronic Do-Not-Resuscitate System**
56 **registry should such a registry become operational; and be it further**

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58 **RESOLVED: That our AMA support the development and implementation**
59 **of state-wide Electronic Do-Not-Resuscitate System registries and ultimately a**
60 **national registry.**

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63 **WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE: NONE**