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3 **Title: Maintenance of Licensure versus CME and Lifelong**
4 **Commitment to Learning**

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10 **Referred to: Reference Committee E**

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12 **House Action: Substituted (See Resolution 38-13)**
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15 **Whereas, MSMS is actively engaged in advocacy to protect physicians**
16 **from unnecessary regulatory and financial burdens in their practices, and**
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18 **Whereas, the Ohio State Medical Society recently resolved to oppose and**
19 **actively defeated the Federation of State Medical Boards, INC. (FSMB),**
20 **Maintenance of Licensure initiative in Ohio in 2012¹, and**
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22 **Whereas, the FSMB national efforts would impose burdens on the**
23 **physicians of Michigan in an adverse manner, and have resulted in active AMA**
24 **opposition on a national level², and**
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26 **Whereas, maintenance of licensure processes invoke economic**
27 **credentialing detrimental to physician availability and patient care with no data**
28 **to show that the current system of continuous medical education is inadequate;**
29 **therefore be it**
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31 **RESOLVED: That MSMS actively engage the Michigan Board of Medicine**
32 **and the state legislature to advocate against the adoption of additional**
33 **continuing medical education (CME) requirements for acquiring or renewing**
34 **physician licenses in the State of Michigan than what is currently required.**
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36 **WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE: NONE**
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¹ KumarD, Sechler JL, Talmage L Jr, et al. Joint Letter from 11 Medical Societies to the SMBO. Available at: http://www.itraumaohio.org/aws/OACEP/asset_manager/get_file/54757/2012.10.5_joint_Maintenance_of_Licensure_letter_to_medical_board.pdf.

² Kempen PM. Maintenance of Certification (MAINTENANCE OF CERTIFICATION), Maintenance of Licensure (MAINTENANCE OF LICENSURE), and continuing medical education (CME): the regulatory capture of medicine. *J Am Phys Surg* 2012;17:72-5. Available at: <http://www.jpands.org/vol17no3/kempen.pdf> . Accessed Dec 27, 2012.