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Subject: Member Threat to Air Ambulance Access – Contact your US Senators!!

Dear Air Methods Advantage Member;

Legislation (S. 2812) was recently introduced in the U.S. Senate that would have a devastating effect on you and your family's access to emergency health care. ***We need your help.***

S. 2812 would essentially create borders in the sky, preventing air ambulances from crossing state lines to get patients to the nearest, most appropriate medical facility. In many cases, this is a matter of life or death – and if we are unable to get you or a family member to the closest trauma center, the consequences could be dire. Nationwide, 30 percent of air medical transports cross state borders, and in many states, particularly in rural areas, it is much higher!

While S. 2812 is a well-intentioned attempt to protect patients from out-of-pocket costs – a goal that we share – her bill will actually have the opposite effect, resulting in higher costs and diminished access to this critical service. There is a real solution, however, currently before Congress. H.R. 3378/S. 2121 is bipartisan legislation that would address the vast under-reimbursement by Medicare for these services. This solution would protect patient and preserve access.

We must do everything we can to stop this harmful legislation, S. 2812. We are asking you to please take 5 minutes to go to this [Take Action Page](#) and send a letter to both your Senators, opposing S. 2812 or any similar legislation . If this bill moves forward, you and your families could be at risk.

Thank you for your time and attention to this important matter.