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Monique Taylor, MPP  
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Dear Ms. Taylor:

Thank you for your letter relaying the concerns of the Emergency and Community Services Committee of Hamilton City Council with respect to emergency services. I appreciate the information that you have provided and your concern about this matter. Like you, I appreciate and value the quality services Hamilton EMS offers to the citizens of Hamilton.

Expenditures made by the City of Hamilton that are related to the provision of land ambulance services are eligible for consideration for cost-sharing by the province.

If Hamilton, in following its legislated responsibility to properly provide land ambulance services for people in its area, chooses to add the additional 12 hour per day ambulance that you refer to in your letter, these costs will be eligible for consideration for cost sharing by the province.

Again, thanks for sharing your concerns regarding emergency services in the City of Hamilton.

Sincerely,

Deb Matthews  
Minister

c: Bob Bratina, Mayor, City of Hamilton  
Rose Caterini, City Clerk, City of Hamilton