

MEDCHI, THE MARYLAND STATE MEDICAL SOCIETY
HOUSE OF DELEGATES

Resolution 31-17

INTRODUCED BY: Baltimore City Medical Society

SUBJECT: Maryland No-Fault Birth Injury Fund

1 Whereas, legislation (SB 585/HB 553 – Maryland No-Fault Birth Injury Fund) introduced during
2 the 2015 Session of the Maryland General Assembly was unsuccessful; and

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4 Whereas, there is an ongoing need to address rising malpractice costs for obstetricians and
5 control associated patient health care costs; and
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7 Whereas, a no-fault birth injury fund serves as an alternative to protracted litigation to address
8 birth injuries and offers lifetime assistance to injured infants and their families who must care for
9 them; and

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11 Whereas, a no-fault birth injury fund offers a fair and equitable system of compensation; now
12 therefore be it

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14 Resolved, that MedChi support legislation to establish a birth injury fund to provide care for
15 children who experience a birth injury.

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18 As adopted by the House of Delegates at its meeting on September 23, 2017.