

**Prop 11: Oppose**

- American Medical Response, a for-profit ambulance corporation that operates throughout California, has illegally withheld millions of dollars in pay to first responders and are now being taken to court by their employees.
- AMR is currently engaged in, *Bartoni v. AMR*, an active lawsuit waged against them by former EMS workers who were unlawfully denied compensation for being forced to work through their break and meal periods.
- The damages that AMR is seeking immunity from in *Bartoni v. AMR* could top \$120 million if they are found guilty. This case, which has been in active litigation since 2008 and is currently before the Alameda Superior Court, should be allowed to be resolved through the normal legal process.
- Rather than pay back the money owed to these first responders, the company is spending millions to put a deceptively titled initiative on the ballot that would allow the company to avoid paying back its workers.
- Contrary to the claims of the proponents, this initiative would do nothing to improve response times and do not provide any additional training or mental health services for private ambulance workers. Response times, in particular, are mandated by the contracts that ambulance companies enter into with the local governments they agree to service. The opponent are pursuing this initiative because they have no interest in altering their staffing practices to hire enough workers to service California communities, because it would decrease their profit margins in state.
- The initiative process should not be used to benefit one for-profit corporation with over \$40 billion in assets seeking to get over on their employees, many of whom make less than \$34,000 a year.
- The official title and summary by the California Attorney General acknowledges the deceptively nature of this effort clearly, stating that the measure “exempts employers from potential liability for violations of existing law regarding work breaks.”