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POLICY STATEMENT

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Supporting Political Advocacy in the Emergency Department

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Employed physicians should be free to exercise their personal and professional judgment in voting, speaking, and advocating on any matter regarding patient care interests, the profession, health care in the community, and the independent exercise of medical judgment. Employed physicians should not be deemed in breach of their employment agreements, nor be retaliated against by their employers, for asserting these interests.*

*This statement was originally published in the American Medical Association's 2012 Principles for Physician Employment.