AN ACT

Providing for copies of patient test results to be sent directly to patients.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Short title.

This act shall be known and may be cited as the Patient Test Result Information Act.

Section 2. Definitions.

The following words and phrases when used in this act shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

"Diagnostic imaging services." Services that include any of the following:

1. Magnetic resonance imaging.
Section 3. Test results.

An entity performing diagnostic imaging services with the exception of routine obstetrical ultrasounds used to monitor the development of a fetus in which no adverse medical condition is diagnosed, shall send directly to the patient a written copy of the summary of the test results of diagnostic imaging services performed on the patient within five ten days of sending the test results to the patient's prescribing physician. The written copy of the summary of the test results may be sent directly to the patient electronically by e-mail or facsimile.

Section 4. Effective date.

This act shall take effect in 60 days.