THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 374

Session of 1979

INTRODUCED BY A. K. HUTCHINSON, BRUNNER, STEWART, DiCARLO, GALLAGHER, TRELLO, WEIDNER AND NOVAK, FEBRUARY 20, 1979

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND WELFARE, FEBRUARY 21, 1979

AN ACT

- 1 Amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), entitled "An
- 2 act to consolidate, editorially revise, and codify the public
- 3 welfare laws of the Commonwealth," further providing for
- 4 payments to pharmacy providers.
- 5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 6 hereby enacts as follows:
- 7 Section 1. The act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known
- 8 as the "Public Welfare Code," is amended by adding a section to
- 9 read:
- 10 Section 475. Fees for Pharmacy Providers.--Pharmacy
- 11 providers shall be paid the sum of two dollars and seventy-five
- 12 cents (\$2.75) for each prescription filled under the medical
- 13 assistance program. The department shall annually review the
- 14 cost of filling prescriptions and establish the fee at a sum not
- 15 lower than the average cost of dispensing drugs. Should the
- 16 <u>department fail to annually review and adjust</u> the fee, the fee
- 17 established in this section shall be adjusted at a rate equal to
- 18 the annual change in the Federal Consumer Price Index.
- 19 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

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