

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 257 Session of 2009

INTRODUCED BY HALUSKA, BELFANTI, BEYER, BOYD, BUXTON, CARROLL, CAUSER, COHEN, CREIGHTON, DALEY, FABRIZIO, FLECK, GINGRICH, GOODMAN, GRELL, GROVE, GRUCELA, HESS, KILLION, KORTZ, KULA, LONGIETTI, MELIO, MILLER, MOUL, PICKETT, PYLE, QUINN, ROCK, SIPTROTH, SOLOBAY, STABACK, SWANGER, THOMAS, TRUE, YOUNGBLOOD AND MANDERINO, FEBRUARY 5, 2009

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE, FEBRUARY 5, 2009

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of December 29, 1972 (P.L.1701, No.364),
 2 entitled "An act providing for the establishment of nonprofit
 3 corporations having the purpose of establishing, maintaining
 4 and operating a health service plan; providing for
 5 supervision and certain regulations by the Insurance
 6 Department and the Department of Health; giving the Insurance
 7 Commissioner and the Secretary of Health certain powers and
 8 duties; exempting the nonprofit corporations from certain
 9 taxes and providing penalties," providing for submittal of
 10 claims for payment.

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

13 Section 1. The act of December 29, 1972 (P.L.1701, No.364),
 14 known as the Health Maintenance Organization Act, is amended by
 15 adding a section to read:

16 Section 10.1. Submittal of Claims for Payment.--(a)
 17 Notwithstanding any other provisions of this act or of law, an
 18 ambulance service shall have at least one hundred and eighty
 19 days to file a claim for emergency medical services with a
 20 health maintenance organization for reimbursement of services.

1 (b) For the purposes of this section, the terms "ambulance
2 service" and "emergency medical services" shall have the same
3 meanings as are given to them in the act of July 3, 1985 (P.L.
4 164, No.45), known as the "Emergency Medical Services Act."

5 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.