THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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AN ACT

Amending the act of June 2, 1915 (P.L.736, No.338), entitled, as reenacted and amended, "An act defining the liability of an 2 employer to pay damages for injuries received by an employe 3 in the course of employment; establishing an elective schedule of compensation; providing procedure for the 5 determination of liability and compensation thereunder; and 6 prescribing penalties," in additional coverages, further 7 providing for the definition of "employe." 8 9 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 10 hereby enacts as follows: 11 Section 1. Section 601(a) of the act of June 2, 1915 (P.L.736, No.338), known as the Workers' Compensation Act, 12 13 reenacted and amended June 21, 1939 (P.L.520, No.281), is 14 amended by adding a clause to read: 15 Section 601. (a) In addition to those persons included within the definition of the word "employe" as defined in 16 section 104, "employe" shall also include: 17 18 19 (2.1) a person who suffers injury or death as a direct 20 result of rendering emergency care, first aid or rescue at the

scene of an emergency and meets all of the following while

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- 1 rendering the emergency care, first aid or rescue:
- 2 <u>(i) is a member of a volunteer ambulance corps;</u>
- 3 (ii) is operating within the person's scope of practice;
- 4 (iii) is not officially on duty as a member of a volunteer
- 5 <u>ambulance corps;</u>
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- 7 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.