THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 846

Session of 1985

INTRODUCED BY BARBER, WIGGINS, TRUMAN, E. Z. TAYLOR, DEAL, FREEMAN, ARTY, JOSEPHS, CARN, HUTCHINSON, COLE, LAUGHLIN, DeWEESE AND VEON, APRIL 10, 1985

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND WELFARE, APRIL 10, 1985

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 the
- 4 rate for home health care services.
- 5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 6 hereby enacts as follows:
- 7 Section 1. Section 443.2 of the act of June 13, 1967
- 8 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Public Welfare Code, amended
- 9 November 28, 1973 (P.L.364, No.128), is amended to read:
- 10 Section 443.2. Medical Assistance Payments for Home Health
- 11 Care. -- The following medical assistance payments shall be made
- 12 in behalf of eligible persons whose care in the home has been
- 13 prescribed by a physician, chiropractor or podiatrist:
- 14 (1) Rates established by the department for post-hospital
- 15 home care, as specified by regulations of the department adopted
- 16 under Title XIX of the Federal Social Security Act for not more
- 17 than one hundred eighty days following a period of
- 18 hospitalization, if such care is related to the reason the

- 1 person was hospitalized and if given by a hospital as
- 2 comprehensive, hospital type care in a patient's home;
- 3 (2) Rates established by the department for home health care
- 4 services if such services are furnished by a voluntary or
- 5 governmental health agency <u>but at a rate of not less than</u>
- 6 <u>twenty-five dollars (\$25) per visit</u>.
- 7 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.