THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL No. 2044 Session of 2005

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE, OCTOBER 17, 2005

AN ACT

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 and operating a health service plan; providing for 5 supervision and certain regulations by the Insurance Department and the Department of Health; giving the Insurance 6 7 Commissioner and the Secretary of Health certain powers and 8 duties; exempting the nonprofit corporations from certain taxes and providing penalties," providing for submittal of 9 claims for payment. 10 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) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this act or of law, an 17 ambulance service shall have at least one hundred and eighty 18

days to file a claim for emergency medical services with a

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- health maintenance organization for reimbursement of services. 1
- (b) For the purposes of this section, the terms "ambulance 2
- 3 service" and "emergency medical services" shall have the same
- 4 meanings as are given to them in the act of July 3, 1985
- (P.L.164, No.45), known as the "Emergency Medical Services Act." 5
- Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days. 6