THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 401

Session of 2013

INTRODUCED BY TOMLINSON, BROWNE, RAFFERTY, BREWSTER, BOSCOLA, GREENLEAF, WAUGH, MENSCH, COSTA, SOLOBAY, VULAKOVICH, WARD, SCHWANK, WASHINGTON, KASUNIC, GORDNER, ALLOWAY, BRUBAKER, HUTCHINSON AND BAKER, FEBRUARY 4, 2013

REFERRED TO BANKING AND INSURANCE, FEBRUARY 4, 2013

AN ACT

Amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), entitled "An act relating to insurance; amending, revising, and consolidating the law providing for the incorporation of insurance companies, and the regulation, supervision, and protection of home and foreign insurance companies, Lloyds 5 associations, reciprocal and inter-insurance exchanges, and 6 fire insurance rating bureaus, and the regulation and 7 supervision of insurance carried by such companies, 9 associations, and exchanges, including insurance carried by the State Workmen's Insurance Fund; providing penalties; and 10 repealing existing laws," providing for joint payment for 11 emergency service organization. 12 13 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 14 hereby enacts as follows: Section 1. The act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known 15 16 as The Insurance Company Law of 1921, is amended by adding a section to read: 17 18 Section 635.7. Joint Payment for Emergency Service 19 Organization. -- (a) Whenever direct payment is made to an 20 insured for a claim covered under a health insurance policy for a service performed by an emergency service organization, the 21

payment shall be made jointly payable to the insured and the

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- 1 <u>emergency service organization</u>.
- 2 (b) The joint payment required under subsection (a) shall
- 3 not apply in the following instances:
- 4 (1) Payment is made under terms of the health insurance
- 5 policy in the single name of a provider or emergency service
- 6 <u>organization</u>.
- 7 (2) Evidence of prepayment to the emergency service
- 8 organization is submitted as part of a claim for payment to the
- 9 <u>insurer</u>, in which case payment shall be made in the single name
- 10 of the insured.
- 11 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.