AN ACT

1 Amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in COVID-19 disaster emergency,
3 establishing the COVID-19 Antibody Testing Pilot Program.
4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:
6 Section 1. Chapter 57 of Title 35 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subchapter to read:
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9 SUBCHAPTER F
10 COVID-19 ANTIBODY TESTING PILOT PROGRAM
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12 Sec.
13 5751. Definitions.
14 5752. Establishment and administration of program.
15 5753. COVID-19 antibody testing plan.
16 § 5751. Definitions.
17 The following words and phrases when used in this subchapter
18 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
19 context clearly indicates otherwise:
20 "COVID-19." The coronavirus disease 2019, an infectious
disease caused by severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 that was first identified during December 2019 in Wuhan, China.

"Department." The Department of Health of the Commonwealth. "Program." The COVID-19 Antibody Testing Pilot Program established under section 5752(a) (relating to establishment and administration of program).

§ 5752. Establishment and administration of program.

(a) Establishment.--The COVID-19 Antibody Testing Pilot Program is established within the department.

(b) Eligibility.--An employer in this Commonwealth that submits a COVID-19 antibody testing plan and receives an approval of the plan from the department under section 5753 (relating to COVID-19 antibody testing plan) shall be eligible to participate in the program.

(c) Reimbursement.--An eligible employer under subsection (b) may submit documentation detailing the expenses incurred by the employer for COVID-19 antibody testing to the department for a reimbursement under the program. Upon receipt of the documentation, the department shall reimburse the employer for the expenses incurred by the employer for COVID-19 antibody testing from Federal funds allocated to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in this Commonwealth.

§ 5753. COVID-19 antibody testing plan.

(a) Submission of plan.--No later than seven days after the effective date of this section, an employer in this Commonwealth seeking to participate in the program shall submit a COVID-19 antibody testing plan for employees of the employer to the Department of Health if the employer has been subject to closure as a result of the COVID-19 disaster emergency.
(b) Contents.--The plan under subsection (a) shall include all of the following:

(1) A review of the type and quantity of COVID-19 antibody testing kits and equipment that will be procured.

(2) A proposed timeline for the procurement of the COVID-19 antibody testing kits and equipment.

(3) A proposed plan for employees to opt out of the COVID-19 antibody testing.

(4) A list of health care practitioners who will conduct the COVID-19 antibody testing.

(5) A description of how the plan assists the Commonwealth's efforts to mitigate the community spread of COVID-19 or provides for a calculation of community spread of COVID-19 and herd immunity to COVID-19.

(6) A description of how the plan assists the Commonwealth's efforts to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 to other employers throughout this Commonwealth.

(c) Approval.--A plan submitted under subsection (a) shall be deemed approved within 72 hours of receipt by the Department of Health unless the employer submitting the plan receives a request for additional information from the Department of Health.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.