

## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

# HOUSE BILL

## No. 1878

Session of  
1985

INTRODUCED BY WILSON, DININNI AND HUTCHINSON, NOVEMBER 12, 1985

AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, MARCH 12, 1986

## AN ACT

1 Amending the act of July 3, 1985 (P.L.164, No.45), entitled "An  
2 act relating to the prevention and reduction of premature  
3 death and disability in this Commonwealth; providing for  
4 assistance, coordination and support of the development and  
5 maintenance of a comprehensive emergency medical services  
6 system and for qualifications, eligibility and certification  
7 of emergency medical services personnel and licensing  
8 ambulance services; imposing powers and duties on the  
9 Department of Health; and making repeals," further providing  
10 for the Emergency Medical Services Operating Fund AND THE <—  
11 PENNSYLVANIA TRAUMA SYSTEMS FOUNDATION; and making an  
12 appropriation.

13 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
14 hereby enacts as follows:

15 SECTION 1. SECTION 6 OF THE ACT OF JULY 3, 1985 (P.L.164, <—  
16 NO.45), KNOWN AS THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ACT, IS AMENDED  
17 BY ADDING SUBSECTIONS TO READ:

18 SECTION 6. PENNSYLVANIA TRAUMA SYSTEMS FOUNDATION.

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20 (G) OPEN MEETINGS.--ALL MEETINGS OF THE FOUNDATION SHALL BE  
21 HELD IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE ACT OF JULY 19,  
22 1974 (P.L.486, NO.175), REFERRED TO AS THE PUBLIC AGENCY OPEN

1 MEETING LAW.

2 (H) SUNSET.--THE PENNSYLVANIA TRAUMA SYSTEMS FOUNDATION  
3 SHALL TERMINATE DECEMBER 31, 1996, UNLESS EXTENDED BY THE  
4 GENERAL ASSEMBLY UNDER THE ACT OF DECEMBER 22, 1981 (P.L.508,  
5 NO.142), KNOWN AS THE SUNSET ACT.

6 Section ~~±~~ 2. Section 14 of the act ~~of July 3, 1985 (P.L.164, <—~~  
7 ~~No.45), known as the Emergency Medical Services Act,~~ is amended  
8 to read:

9 Section 14. [Support of emergency medical services] Emergency  
10 Medical Services Operating Fund.

11 [(a) Fine.--A \$10 fine shall be levied on all moving traffic  
12 violations. These fines shall be in addition to other fines  
13 imposed at the discretion of the court.

14 (b) Emergency Medical Services Operating Fund.--Money  
15 collected shall be paid to the court imposing the fine which  
16 shall forward it to the State Treasurer for deposit into a  
17 special revolving fund to be known as the Emergency Medical  
18 Services Operating Fund.

19 (c) Purpose of fund.--All money from the Emergency Medical  
20 Services Operating Fund] (a) Establishment and purpose.--There  
21 is hereby established a separate account in the State Treasury  
22 to be known as the Emergency Medical Services Operating Fund.  
23 This fund shall be administered by the department. All moneys in  
24 the fund shall be disbursed by the department for the  
25 initiation, expansion, maintenance and improvement of emergency  
26 medical services, and emergency medical services training of  
27 emergency service personnel.

28 [(d)] (b) Allocation to Catastrophic Medical and  
29 Rehabilitation Fund.--Twenty-five percent of the fund shall be  
30 allocated to a Catastrophic Medical and Rehabilitation Fund for

1 victims of trauma. The catastrophic fund shall be available to  
2 trauma victims to purchase medical, rehabilitation and attendant  
3 care services when all alternative financial resources have been  
4 exhausted.

5 Section ~~2~~ 3. The sum of \$6,000,000, or as much thereof as <—  
6 may be necessary, is hereby appropriated from the General Fund  
7 to the Emergency Medical Services Operating Fund for the fiscal  
8 year July 1, 1986, to June 30, 1987.

9 Section ~~3~~ 4. (a) Section ~~2~~ 3 of this act shall take effect <—  
10 July 1, 1986.

11 (b) The remainder of this act shall take effect in 60 days.