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YOUNGBLOOD, OCTOBER 4, 1999

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, OCTOBER 4, 1999

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, further providing for drivers of emergency
3 vehicles.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 3105 of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subsection to read:
8 § 3105. Drivers of emergency vehicles.

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10 (g) Emergency vehicle preemption devices.--

11 (1) The department shall promulgate regulations for the
12 operation and use of preemptive traffic devices by emergency
13 vehicles, including the following requirements:

14 (i) Set standards for the frequency, bandwidth and
15 type of preemptive device emitter to be used by an
16 emergency vehicle.

17 (ii) Set standards for the operation of intersection

1 traffic signals in response to a preemptive signal from
2 an emergency vehicle.

3 (iii) Identify emergency personnel authorized to
4 operate preemptive traffic devices, establish standard
5 requirements for the training of such personnel in the
6 use of the devices and identify circumstances in which
7 the use of such devices is permitted.

8 (2) An individual other than authorized emergency
9 personnel who operates or uses a preemptive traffic device
10 commits a misdemeanor of the third degree.

11 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.