THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

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REFERRED TO BANKING AND INSURANCE, OCTOBER 12, 2006

AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 40 (Insurance) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
- 2 Statutes, further providing for certification of hospital
- plan corporations, for certification of professional health
- 4 service corporations and for scope of service.
- 5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 6 hereby enacts as follows:
- 7 Section 1. Sections 6102 and 6304 of Title 40 of the
- 8 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended by adding
- 9 subsections to read:
- 10 § 6102. Certification of hospital plan corporations.
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- 12 (e.1) Provision of service. -- As a condition of any hospital
- 13 plan corporation certificate of authority granted under this
- 14 chapter, the department shall require that the holder provide
- 15 <u>service throughout this Commonwealth.</u>
- 16 (e.2) Amended application. -- Any hospital plan corporation
- 17 holding a certificate of authority received from the department
- 18 prior to the effective date of this subsection must file and

- 1 have approved by the department within one year after the
- 2 <u>effective date of this subsection an amended application for</u>
- 3 <u>certificate of authority which complies with subsection (e.1).</u>
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- 5 § 6304. Certification of professional health service
- 6 corporations.
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- 8 (d.1) Provision of service. -- As a condition of the
- 9 certificate of authority for any professional health service
- 10 plan, dental service plan or optometric service plan granted
- 11 under this chapter, the department and the Department of Health
- 12 shall require that the holder provide service throughout this
- 13 <u>Commonwealth</u>.
- 14 (d.2) Amended application. -- Any professional health service
- 15 corporation holding a certificate of authority received from the
- 16 department prior to the effective date of this subsection must
- 17 <u>file and have approved by the department within one year after</u>
- 18 the effective date of this subsection an amended application for
- 19 certificate of authority which complies with subsection (d.1).
- 20 The exemption in subsection (b) shall not apply to this
- 21 subsection.
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- 23 Section 2. Section 6322(a) of Title 40 is amended to read:
- 24 § 6322. Scope of service.
- 25 [(a) Territory of service. -- The certificate of authority of
- 26 a professional health service corporation shall define the
- 27 limits of the area in which it may operate. If the corporation
- 28 is deemed to be a holder of a certificate of authority under
- 29 section 6304(b) of this title (relating to exemptions), the
- 30 articles of incorporation of the corporation on the effective

- 1 date of this chapter, regardless of any subsequent amendment to
- 2 such articles, shall be deemed to be its initial certificate of
- 3 authority for the purposes of this section.]
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- Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately. 5