THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION, DECEMBER 14, 2009

AN ACT

1 2 3	Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for the definition of "emergency vehicle."
4	The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5	hereby enacts as follows:
6	Section 1. The definition of "emergency vehicle" in section
7	102 of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes,
8	amended August 18, 2009 (P.L.308, No.37), is amended to read:
9	§ 102. Definitions.
10	Subject to additional definitions contained in subsequent
11	provisions of this title which are applicable to specific
12	provisions of this title, the following words and phrases when
13	used in this title shall have, unless the context clearly
14	indicates otherwise, the meanings given to them in this section:
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16	"Emergency vehicle." A fire department vehicle, police
17	vehicle, sheriff vehicle, ambulance, advanced life support squad

18 vehicle, basic life support squad vehicle, blood delivery

vehicle, human organ delivery vehicle, hazardous material 1 2 response vehicle, armed forces emergency vehicle, one vehicle 3 operated by a coroner or [chief] county medical examiner and one vehicle operated by a [chief] deputy coroner or deputy [chief] 4 county medical examiner used for answering emergency calls, a 5 vehicle owned by or leased to a regional emergency medical 6 7 services council that is used as authorized by the Department of 8 Health to respond to an actual or potential disaster, mass casualty situation or substantial threat to public health, any 9 10 vehicle owned and operated by the Philadelphia Parking Authority established in accordance with 53 Pa.C.S. Ch. 55 (relating to 11 12 parking authorities) and used in the enforcement of 53 Pa.C.S. 13 Ch. 57 (relating to taxicabs and limousines in first class 14 cities), or any other vehicle designated by the State Police 15 under section 6106 (relating to designation of emergency 16 vehicles by Pennsylvania State Police), or a privately owned vehicle used in answering an emergency call when used by any of 17 18 the following:

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(1) A police chief and assistant chief.

20 (2) A fire chief, assistant chief and, when a fire
21 company has three or more fire vehicles, a second or third
22 assistant chief.

23 (3) A fire police captain and fire police lieutenant.
24 (4) An ambulance corps commander and assistant
25 commander.

(5) A river rescue commander and assistant commander.
(6) A county emergency management coordinator.
(7) A fire marshal.
(8) A rescue service chief and assistant chief.
(9) A coroner or county medical examiner or deputy

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- 1 <u>coroner or deputy medical examiner.</u>
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- 3 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.