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REFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION, JANUARY 28, 2011

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
2 Statutes, in preliminary provisions, further providing for  
3 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 is  
8 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

1 vehicle, human organ delivery vehicle, hazardous material  
2 response vehicle, armed forces emergency vehicle, one vehicle  
3 operated by a coroner or [chief] county medical examiner and one  
4 vehicle operated by a [chief] deputy coroner or deputy [chief]  
5 county medical examiner used for answering emergency calls, a  
6 vehicle owned by or leased to a regional emergency medical  
7 services council that is used as authorized by the Department of  
8 Health to respond to an actual or potential disaster, mass  
9 casualty situation or substantial threat to public health, any  
10 vehicle owned and operated by the Philadelphia Parking Authority  
11 established in accordance with 53 Pa.C.S. Ch. 55 (relating to  
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  
17 vehicle used in answering an emergency call when used by any of  
18 the following:

19 (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.

26 (5) A river rescue commander and assistant commander.

27 (6) A county emergency management coordinator.

28 (7) A fire marshal.

29 (8) A rescue service chief and assistant chief.

30 (9) A coroner or county medical examiner or deputy

1     coroner or deputy medical examiner.

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