THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY SONNEY, CAUSER, CIRESI, FARRY, INNAMORATO, ISAACSON, PICKETT AND RYAN, MAY 20, 2021

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND INDUSTRY, MAY 20, 2021

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 2, 1915 (P.L.736, No.338), entitled "An act defining the liability of an employer to pay damages for injuries received by an employe in the course of employment; 2 3 establishing an elective schedule of compensation; providing 4 procedure for the determination of liability and compensation 5 thereunder; and prescribing penalties," in additional 6 coverages, further providing for the definition of "employe." 7 8 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: 10 Section 1. Section 601(a) of the act of June 2, 1915 11 (P.L.736, No.338), known as the Workers' Compensation Act, is 12 amended by adding a clause to read: 13 Section 601. (a) In addition to those persons included 14 within the definition of the word "employe" as defined in section 104, "employe" shall also include: 15 * * * 16 17 (2.1) a person who suffers injury or death as a direct 18 result of rendering emergency care, first aid or rescue at the 19 scene of an emergency and meets all of the following while rendering the emergency care, first aid or rescue: 20

- 1 (i) is a member of a volunteer ambulance corps;
- 2 (ii) is operating within the person's scope of practice; and
- 3 (iii) is not officially on duty as a member of a volunteer
- 4 <u>ambulance corps;</u>
- 5 * * *
- 6 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.