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- Amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), entitled "An 1 act relating to insurance; amending, revising, and consolidating the law providing for the incorporation of 3 insurance companies, and the regulation, supervision, and 4 protection of home and foreign insurance companies, Lloyds 5 associations, reciprocal and inter-insurance exchanges, and 7 fire insurance rating bureaus, and the regulation and supervision of insurance carried by such companies, 8 9 associations, and exchanges, including insurance carried by the State Workmen's Insurance Fund; providing penalties; and 10 repealing existing laws," in casualty insurance, providing 11 for health insurance coverage for immunizations administered 12 at a pharmacy by a pharmacist. 13
- 14 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 15 hereby enacts as follows:
- 16 Section 1. The act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known
- 17 as The Insurance Company Law of 1921, is amended by adding a
- 18 section to read:
- 19 <u>Section 635.8. Coverage for Immunizations Administered at a</u>
- 20 Pharmacy by a Pharmacist. -- (a) All health insurance policies
- 21 shall provide coverage for immunizations administered at a
- 22 pharmacy by a pharmacist.
- 23 (b) As used in this section:

- 1 (1) "Health insurance policy" means a group or individual
- 2 <u>health or sickness or accident insurance policy, subscriber</u>
- 3 contract or certificate issued by an entity. The term does not
- 4 include accident only, fixed indemnity, limited benefit, credit,
- 5 <u>dental, vision, specified disease, Medicare supplement, Civilian</u>
- 6 <u>Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS)</u>
- 7 <u>supplement, long-term care or disability income</u>, workers'
- 8 compensation or automobile medical payment insurance.
- 9 (2) "Pharmacist" means an individual duly licensed by the
- 10 State Board of Pharmacy to engage in the practice of pharmacy.
- 11 (3) "Pharmacy" means every property issued a permit by the
- 12 State Board of Pharmacy where drugs, devices and diagnostic
- 13 agents for human or animal consumption are stored, dispensed or
- 14 compounded, excluding offices or facilities of veterinarians
- 15 licensed by the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners. The
- 16 term does not include the operations of a manufacturer or
- 17 distributor, as defined in the act of April 14, 1972 (P.L.233,
- 18 No.64), known as "The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and
- 19 Cosmetic Act." In an institution, "pharmacy" means the organized
- 20 pharmacy services in the institution under the direct
- 21 <u>supervision of a licensed pharmacist</u>.
- 22 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.