

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1406 Session of 2003

INTRODUCED BY ARGALL, McCALL, ALLEN AND GOODMAN, MAY 7, 2003

AS AMENDED ON THIRD CONSIDERATION, IN SENATE, JUNE 25, 2003

AN ACT

1 Designating political subdivisions as rural areas for purposes
2 of Medicare hospital service payments.

3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
4 hereby enacts as follows:

5 Section 1. Short title.

6 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Medicare
7 Hospital Service Payment Designation Act.

8 Section 2. Designation.

9 For purposes of payments to hospitals for inpatient hospital
10 services under section 1886 of the Social Security Act (49 Stat.
11 620, 42 U.S.C. § 1395ww), ~~the political subdivisions of Coaldale <—
12 Borough and Butler Township in Schuylkill County are designated,
13 HOSPITALS DESIGNATED AS MEDICARE DEPENDENT HOSPITALS AS OF <—
14 SEPTEMBER 30, 2000, ARE HEREBY DESIGNATED AS RURAL HOSPITALS,
15 pursuant to section 1886(d)(8)(E)(ii)(II) of the Social Security
16 Act (42 U.S.C. § 1395ww(d)(8)(E)(ii)(II)), as rural areas. <—~~

17 SECTION 3. IF THIS ACT IS ENACTED AFTER JUNE 30, 2003, THIS <—
18 ACT SHALL APPLY RETROACTIVELY TO JUNE 30, 2003.

1 Section 3 4. Effective date.

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2 This act shall take effect immediately.