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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,
APRIL 7, 2008

AN ACT

1 Providing for copies of patient test results to be sent directly
2 to patients.

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 Patient Test
7 Result Information Act.

8 Section 2. Definitions.

9 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
10 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
11 context clearly indicates otherwise:

12 "Diagnostic imaging services." Services that include any of
13 the following:

14 (1) Magnetic resonance imaging.

- 1 (2) Nuclear medicine.
- 2 (3) Angiography.
- 3 (4) Arteriography.
- 4 (5) Computerized axial tomography.
- 5 (6) Positron emission tomography.
- 6 (7) Digital vascular imaging.
- 7 (8) Bronchoscopy.
- 8 (9) Lymphangiography.
- 9 (10) Splenography.
- 10 (11) Ultrasound.
- 11 (12) EEG.
- 12 (13) EKG.
- 13 (14) Nerve conduction studies.
- 14 (15) Evoked potentials.

15 Section 3. Test results.

16 An entity performing diagnostic imaging services with the
17 exception of routine obstetrical ultrasounds used to monitor the
18 development of a fetus in which no adverse medical condition is
19 diagnosed, shall send directly to the patient a written copy of
20 the test results of diagnostic imaging services performed on the
21 patient within five days of sending the test results to the
22 patient's physician.

23 Section 4. Effective date.

24 This act shall take effect in 60 days.