

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 1260 Session of
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A. WILLIAMS AND O'PAKE, JANUARY 29, 2008

REFERRED TO PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, JANUARY 29, 2008

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), entitled "An
2 act to consolidate, editorially revise, and codify the public
3 welfare laws of the Commonwealth," providing for medical
4 assistance reimbursements for organ transplant drugs.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. The act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known
8 as the Public Welfare Code, is amended by adding a section to
9 read:

10 Section 449.1. Medical Assistance Reimbursements for Organ
11 Transplant Drugs.--For purposes of medical assistance
12 reimbursements an immunosuppressive drug shall not be subject to
13 prior authorization, step therapy, generic substitution or
14 quantity limits without notification to the patient and the
15 consent of the prescribing physician. For purposes of this
16 section, "immunosuppressive drug" means a drug that is used in
17 immunosuppressive therapy to inhibit or prevent activity of the
18 immune system, and is used to prevent the rejection of

1 transplanted organs and tissue.

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