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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
2 Statutes, in general provisions, further providing for  
3 definitions.

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

6 Section 1. The definition of "emergency vehicle" in section  
7 102 of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes,  
8 amended October 14, 2014 (P.L.2491, No.140), is amended and the  
9 section is amended by adding a definition to read:

10 § 102. Definitions.

11 Subject to additional definitions contained in subsequent  
12 provisions of this title which are applicable to specific  
13 provisions of this title, the following words and phrases when  
14 used in this title shall have, unless the context clearly  
15 indicates otherwise, the meanings given to them in this section:

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17 "Emergency vehicle." A State or county emergency management  
18 vehicle, fire department vehicle, police vehicle, sheriff

1 vehicle, ambulance, advanced life support squad vehicle, basic  
2 life support squad vehicle, emergency canteen support service  
3 organization vehicle, rescue service vehicle, blood delivery  
4 vehicle, human organ delivery vehicle, hazardous material  
5 response vehicle, armed forces emergency vehicle, one vehicle  
6 operated by a coroner or chief county medical examiner and one  
7 vehicle operated by a chief deputy coroner or deputy chief  
8 county medical examiner used for answering emergency calls, a  
9 vehicle owned by or leased to a regional emergency medical  
10 services council that is used as authorized by the Department of  
11 Health to respond to an actual or potential disaster, mass  
12 casualty situation or substantial threat to public health, a  
13 vehicle owned by a county or regional police association and  
14 operated by a police officer that is used for police transport  
15 or victim extraction, any vehicle operated by a special agent,  
16 special agent supervisor, narcotics agent or narcotics agent  
17 supervisor while performing official duties as employees of the  
18 Office of Attorney General, any vehicle owned and operated by  
19 the Philadelphia Parking Authority established in accordance  
20 with 53 Pa.C.S. Ch. 55 (relating to parking authorities) and  
21 used in the enforcement of 53 Pa.C.S. Ch. 57 (relating to  
22 taxicabs and limousines in first class cities), or any other  
23 vehicle designated by the State Police under section 6106  
24 (relating to designation of emergency vehicles by Pennsylvania  
25 State Police), or a privately owned vehicle used in answering an  
26 emergency call when used by any of the following:

27 (1) A police chief and assistant chief.

28 (2) A fire chief, assistant chief and, when a fire  
29 company has three or more fire vehicles, a second or third  
30 assistant chief.

1 (3) A fire police captain and fire police lieutenant.

2 (4) An ambulance corps commander and assistant  
3 commander.

4 (5) A river rescue commander and assistant commander.

5 (6) A county emergency management coordinator.

6 (7) A fire marshal.

7 (8) A rescue service chief and assistant chief.

8 (9) The chief or operations director of a county  
9 hazardous materials response team.

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11 "Rescue service vehicle." A vehicle used to provide rescue  
12 services in this Commonwealth by a volunteer nonprofit chartered  
13 corporation, association or organization located in this  
14 Commonwealth.

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16 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.