

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND INDUSTRY, JANUARY 31, 2017

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 2, 1915 (P.L.736, No.338), entitled, as
 2 reenacted and amended, "An act defining the liability of an
 3 employer to pay damages for injuries received by an employe
 4 in the course of employment; establishing an elective
 5 schedule of compensation; providing procedure for the
 6 determination of liability and compensation thereunder; and
 7 prescribing penalties," in additional coverages, further
 8 providing for the definition of "employe."

9 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
 10 hereby enacts as follows:

11 Section 1. Section 601(a) of the act of June 2, 1915
 12 (P.L.736, No.338), known as the Workers' Compensation Act, is
 13 amended by adding a clause to read:

14 Section 601. (a) In addition to those persons included
 15 within the definition of the word "employe" as defined in
 16 section 104, "employe" shall also include:

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18 (2.1) a person who suffers injury or death as a direct
 19 result of rendering emergency care, first aid or rescue at the
 20 scene of an emergency and meets all of the following while
 21 rendering the emergency care, first aid or rescue:

1 (i) is a member of a volunteer ambulance corps;
2 (ii) is operating within the person's scope of practice; and
3 (iii) is not officially on duty as a member of a volunteer
4 ambulance corps;

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6 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.