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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY
PREPAREDNESS, SEPTEMBER 26, 2017

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in emergency medical services system,
3 further providing for definitions and providing for billing.

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

6 Section 1. Section 8103 of Title 35 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a definition to read:

8 § 8103. Definitions.

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

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13 "Insurer." As follows:

14 (1) An entity that is responsible for providing or
15 paying for all or part of the cost of emergency medical
16 services covered by an insurance policy, contract or plan.

17 The term includes an entity subject to:

1 (i) section 630, Article XXIV or any other provision
2 of the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known as
3 The Insurance Company Law of 1921;

4 (ii) the act of December 29, 1972 (P.L.1701,
5 No.364), known as the Health Maintenance Organization
6 Act; or

7 (iii) 40 Pa.C.S. Ch. 61 (relating to hospital plan
8 corporations) or 63 (relating to professional health
9 services plan corporations).

10 (2) The term does not include an entity that is
11 responsible for providing or paying under an insurance
12 policy, contract or plan which meets any of the following:

13 (i) Is a homeowner's insurance policy.

14 (ii) Provides any of the following types of
15 insurance:

16 (A) Accident only.

17 (B) Fixed indemnity.

18 (C) Limited benefit.

19 (D) Credit.

20 (E) Dental.

21 (F) Vision.

22 (G) Specified disease.

23 (H) Medicare supplement.

24 (I) Civilian Health and Medical Program of the
25 Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS) supplement.

26 (J) Long-term care.

27 (K) Disability income.

28 (L) Workers' compensation.

29 (M) Automobile medical payment insurance.

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1 Section 2. Title 35 is amended by adding a section to read:

2 § 8143. Billing.

3 When a non-network EMS agency is dispatched by a public
4 safety answering point as defined in section 5302 (relating to
5 definitions) or an EMS agency dispatch center under section
6 8129(i) (relating to emergency medical services agencies) for an
7 emergency and provides medically necessary emergency medical
8 services, a payment made by an insurer for a claim covered under
9 and in accordance with a health insurance policy for a service
10 performed by the EMS agency during the call shall be paid
11 directly to the EMS agency.

12 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.