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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED BY OWLETT, BARRAR, CAUSER, PICKETT, SCHMITT, GROVE,  
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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY  
PREPAREDNESS, SEPTEMBER 23, 2019

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AN ACT

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

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

6 Section 1. Section 8133 of Title 35 of the Pennsylvania  
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subsection to read:  
8 § 8133. Basic life support ambulances.

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10 (c) Exceptions for certain counties.--The staffing  
11 requirements under subsection (b) (2) may be waived or adjusted  
12 for counties of the sixth, seventh and eighth classes at the  
13 department's discretion. The department shall permit an EMS  
14 agency to file for a waiver or exception from the staffing  
15 requirements under this subsection for extraordinary reasons as  
16 determined by the department on a case-by-case basis and in the  
17 best interest of the EMS system and patient care.

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