AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 2012

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- Amend Bill, page 2, line 8, by striking out "PROVIDING FOR" 1
- 2 and inserting
- 3 establishing
- Amend Bill, page 18, line 4, by striking out "AND OTHER 4
- STATES" and inserting 5
- , other states and state agencies
- Amend Bill, page 18, by inserting between lines 4 and 5 7
- 913. Agency cooperation. 8
- 9 Amend Bill, page 18, line 5, by striking out "913" and
- inserting 10
- 11 914
- Amend Bill, page 18, line 6, by striking out "914" and 12
- 13 inserting
- 915 14
- Amend Bill, page 18, line 7, by striking out "915" and 15
- 16 inserting
- 916 17
- Amend Bill, page 18, by inserting between lines 8 and 9 18
- 19 917. Construction.
- Amend Bill, page 18, line 9, by striking out "916" and 20
- 21 inserting
- 22 918
- 23 Amend Bill, page 18, line 26, by striking out "FIRM" and
- 24 inserting

- 1 <u>person</u>
- 2 Amend Bill, page 19, line 1, by striking out "ENTITIES" where
- 3 it occurs the first time and inserting
- 4 <u>persons</u>
- 5 Amend Bill, page 19, line 1, by striking out "ENTITIES" where
- 6 it occurs the second time and inserting
- 7 persons
- 8 Amend Bill, page 19, line 3, by striking out "ENTITY" and
- 9 inserting
- 10 <u>person</u>
- 11 Amend Bill, page 19, line 4, by striking out "ENTITY" and
- 12 inserting
- 13 <u>person</u>
- Amend Bill, page 19, line 9, by striking out "103" and
- 15 inserting
- 16 802.1
- Amend Bill, page 19, line 14, by striking out "AN ENTITY" and
- 18 inserting
- 19 <u>a person</u>
- 20 Amend Bill, page 19, line 16, by striking out "AN ENTITY" and
- 21 inserting
- 22 <u>a person</u>
- 23 Amend Bill, page 19, line 17, by striking out "OWNERSHIP" and
- 24 inserting
- 25 <u>direct or indirect ownership, including a private equity</u>
- 26 <u>fund</u>
- 27 Amend Bill, page 19, line 21, by inserting after
- 28 "OPTOMETRIC,"
- dental treatment,
- 30 Amend Bill, page 19, line 30, by striking out "ORGANIZATIONS"
- 31 and inserting

- 1 <u>persons</u>
- 2 Amend Bill, page 20, line 1, by striking out "ORGANIZATIONS"
- 3 and inserting
- 4 <u>persons</u>
- 5 Amend Bill, page 20, lines 9 through 12, by striking out all
- 6 of said lines
- 7 Amend Bill, page 20, line 22, by striking out "AN ENTITY" and
- 8 inserting
- 9 <u>A person</u>
- Amend Bill, page 21, line 3, by inserting after "MONOPSONIZE"
- 11 , to maintain a monopoly or monopsony
- 12 Amend Bill, page 21, lines 10 and 11, by striking out "IS_
- 13 SUBSTANTIALLY TO" in line 10 and all of line 11 and inserting
- 14 <u>may be substantially to lessen competition in any part</u>
- of trade or commerce.
- Amend Bill, page 21, lines 14 through 17, by striking out all
- 17 of said lines
- Amend Bill, page 21, line 25, by striking out "ACTION" and
- 19 inserting
- 20 <u>act</u>
- 21 Amend Bill, page 22, line 15, by striking out "ITS AGENCIES"
- 22 THAT ARE" and inserting
- 23 <u>Commonwealth agencies</u>
- 24 Amend Bill, page 23, line 18, by striking out "A"
- 25 Amend Bill, page 23, line 19, by inserting after "LAW"
- 26 <u>that</u>
- 27 Amend Bill, page 23, line 20, by striking out "AND" and
- 28 inserting a comma
- 29 Amend Bill, page 23, line 20, by inserting after "STATES"
- 30 <u>and state agencies</u>

- 1 Amend Bill, page 23, by inserting between lines 22 and 23
- 2 <u>(f) Presumptions.--In an action brought by the Attorney</u> 3 General under this chapter and the act of October 15, 1980
- 4 (P.L.950, No.164), known as the Commonwealth Attorneys Act:
- 5 (1) The Attorney General is the sole party for discovery
 6 purposes and is deemed to lack possession, custody or control
 7 over documents possessed by the General Assembly, other
 8 Commonwealth officers or other Commonwealth agencies.
- 9 (2) If the action is asserted on behalf of a
 10 Commonwealth agency, the Attorney General may facilitate
 11 nonparty discovery from the Commonwealth agency but is not
 12 otherwise obligated under section 913 (relating to agency
 13 cooperation) or section 208 of the Commonwealth Attorneys
 14 Act.
- 15 (3) If the Attorney General does not seek to recover
 16 damages for an injury suffered by a Commonwealth agency,
 17 nonparty discovery of the Commonwealth agency is
 18 presumptively unreasonable and unduly burdensome.
- 19 Amend Bill, page 23, line 24, by inserting after "CHAPTER"
- 20 <u>in which the plaintiff prevails</u>
- 21 Amend Bill, page 23, line 25, by striking out "PARTY" and
- 22 inserting
- 23 <u>plaintiff</u>
- 24 Amend Bill, page 25, line 14, by striking out "ENTITIES" and
- 25 inserting
- 26 <u>persons</u>
- 27 Amend Bill, page 25, line 19, by striking out "ENTITY" and
- 28 inserting
- 29 <u>person</u>
- 30 Amend Bill, page 25, line 20, by striking out "ENTITY" where
- 31 it occurs the first time and inserting
- 32 <u>person</u>
- 33 Amend Bill, page 25, line 20, by striking out "ENTITY" where
- 34 it occurs the second time and inserting
- 35 <u>person</u>
- 36 Amend Bill, page 25, line 23, by striking out "ENTITIES" and
- 37 inserting

- 1 <u>persons</u>
- 2 Amend Bill, page 27, line 1, by inserting after
- 3 "NOTIFICATION. -- A"
- 4 <u>health care facility, health care facility system,</u>
- 5 Amend Bill, page 30, line 6, by striking out "WHO" and
- 6 inserting
- 7 shall be liable for a civil penalty as provided in this
- 8 <u>subsection if the person</u>
- 9 Amend Bill, page 30, line 9, by striking out "WHO"
- 10 Amend Bill, page 30, lines 15 through 17, by striking out
- 11 "SHALL BE" in line 15, all of line 16 and "SUBSECTION" in line
- 12 17
- Amend Bill, page 30, line 29, by inserting a comma after
- 14 "INFORMATION"
- Amend Bill, page 30, line 30, by inserting after "LAW"
- 16 , in the enforcement of this chapter including
- 17 presentation before a court
- Amend Bill, page 31, line 4, by inserting after
- 19 "CONFIDENTIAL"
- 20 <u>except as provided in this section</u>
- 21 Amend Bill, page 31, line 26, by striking out "AN INDIVIDUAL
- 22 OR ENTITY WHO" and inserting
- 23 <u>A person that</u>
- Amend Bill, page 32, line 17, by striking out "AND OTHER
- 25 STATES" and inserting
- 26 , other states and state agencies
- 27 Amend Bill, page 32, line 21, by striking out "AND" where it
- 28 occurs the first time and inserting a comma
- 29 Amend Bill, page 32, line 21, by inserting after "STATES"
- 30 <u>and state agencies</u>

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      Amend Bill, page 32, by inserting between lines 22 and 23
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   § 913. Agency cooperation.
      (a) General rule. -- All Commonwealth agencies shall assist
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   the Attorney General in the enforcement of this chapter, if
   requested, and shall promptly comply with any request for
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   documents, testimony or information.
       (b) Attorney General. -- The Attorney General shall provide
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   notice to:
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          (1) The Department of Health of any enforcement action
      initiated under section 905 (relating to enforcement by
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      Attorney General) as well as the resolution of any action
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      <u>initiated</u> under section 905 that involves a health care
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      facility or a health care facility system.
           (2) The Insurance Department of any enforcement action
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      <u>initiated</u> under section 905 as well as the resolution of any
      action initiated under section 905 that involves an insurer.
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      Amend Bill, page 32, line 23, by striking out "913" and
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   inserting
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   914
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      Amend Bill, page 32, line 27, by striking out "914" and
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   inserting
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   915
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      Amend Bill, page 32, lines 28 through 30; page 33, lines 1
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   through 3; by striking out all of said lines on said pages and
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   inserting
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       This chapter shall not apply to:
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          (1) a cooperative association or an employee-owned
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       enterprise, corporate or otherwise, of farmers, gardeners or
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      dairy producers, including livestock farmers and fruit
       growers, nor to a contract, agreement or arrangement made by
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      the association or enterprise, nor to a bona fide labor
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      union; or
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           (2) the business of insurance to the extent that the
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      business:
              (i) does not constitute a boycott, coercion or
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           intimidation or an agreement to boycott, coerce or
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           intimidate; and
               (ii) does not relate to the business of health
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           insurance, including the business of dental insurance and
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           limited-scope dental benefits.
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      Amend Bill, page 33, line 4, by striking out "915" and
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   inserting
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- 1 916
- Amend Bill, page 33, by inserting between lines 8 and 9 2
- § 917. Construction. 3
- This chapter shall be construed in harmony with judicial
- 5 <u>interpretations of comparable Federal antitrust statutes insofar</u>
- as practicable.
- Amend Bill, page 33, line 9, by striking out "916" and 7
- 8 inserting
- 9 918