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AN ACT

Amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), entitled "An act relating to insurance; amending, revising, and consolidating the law providing for the incorporation of insurance companies, and the regulation, supervision, and protection of home and foreign insurance companies, Lloyds 5 associations, reciprocal and inter-insurance exchanges, and 6 fire insurance rating bureaus, and the regulation and 7 8 supervision of insurance carried by such companies, associations, and exchanges, including insurance carried by 9 the State Workmen's Insurance Fund; providing penalties; and 10 repealing existing laws," further providing for emergency 11 12 services. 13 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 14 hereby enacts as follows: 15 Section 1. Section 2116 of the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known as The Insurance Company Law of 1921, is amended 16 17 to read: 18 Section 2116. Emergency Services. -- (a) If an enrollee seeks 19 emergency services and the emergency health care provider 20 determines that emergency services are necessary, the emergency health care provider shall initiate necessary intervention to evaluate and, if necessary, stabilize the condition of the 22

- 1 enrollee without seeking or receiving authorization from the
- 2 managed care plan. The managed care plan shall pay all
- 3 reasonably necessary costs associated with the emergency
- 4 services provided during the period of the emergency. When
- 5 processing a reimbursement claim for emergency services, a
- 6 managed care plan shall consider both the presenting symptoms
- 7 and the services provided. The emergency health care provider
- 8 shall notify the enrollee's managed care plan of the provision
- 9 of emergency services and the condition of the enrollee. If an
- 10 enrollee's condition has stabilized and the enrollee can be
- 11 transported without suffering detrimental consequences or
- 12 aggravating the enrollee's condition, the enrollee may be
- 13 relocated to another facility to receive continued care and
- 14 treatment as necessary.
- 15 (b) If an emergency medical services agency is dispatched by
- 16 <u>a public safety answering point</u>, as defined in 35 Pa.C.S. § 5302
- 17 <u>(relating to definitions) and provides medically necessary</u>
- 18 emergency care, including advanced life support services under
- 19 <u>35 Pa.C.S. Ch. 81 (relating to emergency medical services</u>
- 20 system), to an enrollee and the enrollee does not require
- 21 transport or refuses to be transported, the managed care plan
- 22 <u>shall pay all reasonably necessary costs associated with the</u>
- 23 emergency services provided during the period of the emergency.
- 24 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.