THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY TARTAGLIONE, TEPLITZ, BREWSTER, WOZNIAK, RAFFERTY, DINNIMAN, FONTANA, GREENLEAF, SCHWANK, SOLOBAY, COSTA, SMITH, KITCHEN, YUDICHAK, HUGHES AND TOMLINSON, MARCH 14, 2014

REFERRED TO PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, MARCH 14, 2014

AN ACT

Amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania 1 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for duties of the 2 Department of Health. 3 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 5 hereby enacts as follows: 6 Section 1. Section 8105(b) of Title 35 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a paragraph to read: 8 § 8105. Duties of department. * * * 9 10 (b) Authority. -- The department shall be the lead agency for EMS in this Commonwealth. The department is authorized to: 11 * * * 12 13 (6.1) Develop, in consultation with the Department of 14 Military and Veterans Affairs and State, community and local 15 organizations and agencies that have expertise in traumatic 16 brain injuries and posttraumatic stress disorder, a training 17 program for EMS service agencies and EMS service providers on recognizing and interacting with individuals suffering from a 18

- 1 <u>traumatic brain injury or posttraumatic stress disorder. The</u>
- 2 program shall be included in any training program approved
- 3 <u>under paragraph (6).</u>
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- 5 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.