

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED BY JAMES, OBERLANDER, STAMBAUGH AND STENDER,
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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, JANUARY 31, 2024

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in miscellaneous provisions relating
3 to emergency management services, providing for Right-to-Know
4 Law access.

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

7 Section 1. Title 35 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
8 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

9 § 7715. Right-to-Know Law access.

10 (a) Prohibition.--Notwithstanding any other provision of
11 law, a volunteer EMS company, volunteer fire company or a
12 volunteer rescue company may not be considered a local agency
13 under the provisions of the act of February 14, 2008 (P.L.6,
14 No.3), known as the Right-to-Know Law.

15 (b) Definitions.--As used in this section, the following
16 words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this
17 subsection unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

18 "Volunteer EMS company." As defined in section 7802
19 (relating to definitions).

1 "Volunteer fire company." As defined in section 7802.

2 "Volunteer rescue company." As defined in section 7802.

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