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Honorable Patrick Browne
Senate Box 203016
Harrisburg, PA 17120-3016

RE: House Bill 347

Dear Senator Browne,

Please allow this letter to serve as an official letter of support from the Bucks County Association of Township Officials (BCATO) in regards to House Bill 347, which would require insurance companies to pay claims directly to the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) company instead of the insured patient. BCATO is comprised of 30 townships of the second class and represents the legislative interests of its supervisors, managers, tax collectors and auditors.

We request that the Senate Banking and Insurance Committee support this bill for a full voting process because the insured patient currently often receives a check for the allowable billed amount but rarely forward that payment on to the EMS company that performed on-site support.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions as you consider your stance on this legislation.

Respectfully,

Daniel F. Rattigan
President, BCATO

cc: Honorable Robert M. Tomlinson
Honorable Charles T. McIlhinney Jr.
Honorable Stewart J. Greenleaf
Honorable Bob Mensch
David M. Sanko