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2 Introduced by Representatives Koch of Barre Town, Bohi of Hartford,
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6 Referred to Committee on

7 Date:

8 Subject: Health insurance; emergency medical services; direct reimbursement
9 for services

10 Statement of purpose: This bill proposes to require that insurers directly
11 reimburse ambulance and EMS providers.

12 An act relating to insurance reimbursement for ambulance and EMS
13 services

14 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

15 Sec. 1. 24 V.S.A. § 2689 is added to read:

16 § 2689. REIMBURSEMENT FOR AMBULANCE AND FIRST

17 RESPONDER SERVICE PROVIDERS

18 When an ambulance service or first responder service provides emergency
19 medical treatment to a person who is insured by a policy, plan, or contract that
20 provides benefits for emergency medical treatment, the insurer shall reimburse

1 the ambulance service or first responder service directly, subject to the terms
2 and conditions of the policy, plan, or contract. Nothing in this section shall
3 preclude an insurer from negotiating with and subsequently entering into a
4 contract with a nonparticipating ambulance service or first responder service to
5 establish rates of reimbursement for emergency medical treatment.

6 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

7 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2012.