SENATE HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 2946

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: OCTOBER 31, 2022

The Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 2946.

This bill establishes a minimum Medicaid reimbursement rate of \$200 for basic life support emergency ambulance transportation services, an increase of \$142 from the State's existing rate of \$58 per transport.

Currently, New Jersey has the lowest Medicaid reimbursement rate for basic life support emergency ambulance transportation services in the region. Surrounding states' rates range from \$65.27 in Delaware to \$293.90 in Connecticut, and pending legislation in Pennsylvania would increase that state's rate to \$325 per transport, which would be the highest rate in the region.