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Senate Clerk
State House, Room 335
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Mr. Steven T. James
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State House, Room 145
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Chair Rodrigues, Chair Michlewitz, Mr. Hurley and Mr. James:

Massachusetts General Law Chapter 29, Section 2KKKKK requires that the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS) provide you a report detailing all money transferred, credited or deposited into and from the Nonpublic Ambulance Service Reimbursement Trust Fund, as well as the reasons for any unspent funding and an analysis of the uniform assessment paid by nonpublic ambulance providers.

EOHHS has submitted a MassHealth state plan amendment to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) for expenditure authority of the assessment. As outlined in the statutory language, federal approval is required prior to implementation of the assessment. Upon receipt of this authority, EOHHS will begin collecting assessment amounts and paying supplemental payments to nonpublic ambulance providers.

EOHHS has also adopted regulations for the assessment and supplemental payments. These regulations will be implemented upon CMS approval. EOHHS staff worked closely with ambulance providers to determine the assessment methodology as well as the payments to providers outlined in the regulations.

Please feel free to contact Camille Pearson at Camille.Pearson@mass.gov should you have any questions about this report.

Sincerely,

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cc: Marylou Sudders