

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL
No. 2578 Session of
1982

INTRODUCED BY BOYES, DOMBROWSKI, POTT, CAPPABIANCA, MERRY AND
BOWSER, JUNE 8, 1982

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND WELFARE, JUNE 8, 1982

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of July 9, 1976 (P.L.817, No.143), entitled "An
2 act relating to mental health procedures; providing for the
3 treatment and rights of mentally disabled persons, for
4 voluntary and involuntary examination and treatment and for
5 determinations affecting those charged with crime or under
6 sentence," further providing for payment of costs for
7 treatment.

8 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
9 hereby enacts as follows:

10 Section 1. Section 408, act of July 9, 1976 (P.L.817,
11 No.143), known as the "Mental Health Procedures Act," added
12 November 26, 1978 (P.L.1362, No.324), is amended to read:

13 Section 408. Costs of Treatment.--The Commonwealth shall pay
14 for the costs, payments or expenditures in excess of \$120 per
15 day made on behalf of any person who is a resident of a county
16 located within the Commonwealth and who receives treatment and
17 for whom liability is imposed on the county pursuant to section
18 505(a) of the act of October 20, 1966 (3rd Sp.Sess., P.L.96,
19 No.6), known as the "Mental Health and Mental Retardation Act of
20 1966." All costs up to and including \$120 per day shall be

1 [imposed upon the county of his residence] paid by the
2 Department of Public Welfare over a five-year period in
3 increments of 20% per year. In the event that a residency cannot
4 be determined to be in a county within the Commonwealth by the
5 court that convicted or sentenced the person, all liability for
6 treatment imposed by section 505(a) of the "Mental Health and
7 Mental Retardation Act of 1966" shall be borne by the
8 Commonwealth.

9 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 90 days.