

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 1320 Session of
2011

INTRODUCED BY WILLIAMS, SCHWANK, M. WHITE, FONTANA, LEACH,
TARTAGLIONE, FERLO AND HUGHES, NOVEMBER 1, 2011

REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, NOVEMBER 1, 2011

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the
2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for
3 postconviction DNA testing.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 9543.1 of Title 42 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subsection to read:
8 § 9543.1. Postconviction DNA testing.

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10 (c.1) Confession.--Notwithstanding any other provision of
11 law, a confession given by an applicant concerning the offense
12 for which the applicant was convicted shall not affect the
13 applicant's ability to make any of the required assertions under
14 subsection (c)(2).

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16 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.