

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL
No. 1876 Session of
1977

INTRODUCED BY GALLEN, GOODMAN, ZEARFOSS, FREIND, BURD AND
O'CONNELL, NOVEMBER 16, 1977

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, NOVEMBER 16, 1977

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), entitled
2 "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the
3 executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the
4 Executive Department thereof and the administrative
5 departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof,
6 including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or
7 Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or
8 authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative
9 departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and
10 duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative
11 officers, and of the several administrative departments,
12 boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the
13 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive
14 and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of
15 certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and
16 other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards,
17 and commissions; and prescribing the manner in which the
18 number and compensation of the deputies and all other
19 assistants and employes of certain departments, boards and
20 commissions shall be determined," providing for the
21 termination of all State benefits, including pension
22 benefits, of any officer, member, employe of the Judiciary,
23 the General Assembly or of the Commonwealth for conviction of
24 certain criminal activity.

25 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
26 hereby enacts as follows:

27 Section 1. The act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known
28 as "The Administrative Code of 1929," is amended by adding a
29 section to read:

1 Section 224. Loss of Benefits for Criminal Convictions.--

2 Except for an individual's own contribution to the pension
3 system including the interest earned on such contribution, all
4 State benefits, including pension benefits, to which an officer,
5 member or employe may be entitled, shall be terminated upon
6 conviction of engaging in any criminal activity which in any way
7 relates to or involves the office or position of such
8 individual. This section shall apply to all members and employes
9 of the General Assembly, all justices, judges, magistrates,
10 administrators and employes of the Judiciary and all officers
11 and employes whether elected, appointed or hired of any
12 department, agency, board, commission or bureau of the
13 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

14 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall
15 apply to any convictions obtained on or after the effective date
16 of this act.