

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL  
No. 2533 Session of  
1984

INTRODUCED BY REINARD, MRKONIC, J. L. WRIGHT, FLICK, BUNT,  
BATTISTO, KOSINSKI, CESSAR, DEAL, ALDERETTE, B. SMITH, GEIST  
AND HERMAN, OCTOBER 3, 1984

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, OCTOBER 3, 1984

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania  
2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for the ownership  
3 and possession of certain weapons.

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

6 Section 1. Section 6105 of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania  
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

8 § 6105. Former convict not to own a firearm, etc.

9 (a) General rule.--No person who has been convicted in this  
10 Commonwealth or elsewhere of a crime of violence or of a felony  
11 for a violation of the act of April 14, 1972 (P.L.233, No.64),  
12 known as The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic  
13 Act, shall own a firearm, rifle or shotgun or have [one] any  
14 such weapons in his possession or under his control.

15 (b) Exemption.--A court of common pleas having jurisdiction  
16 where the principal residence of a petitioner is situated shall  
17 grant an exemption from the provisions of subsection (a) to the  
18 petitioner upon finding that the petitioner meets all of the

1 following provisions:

2       (1) A period of ten years has elapsed since the most  
3 recent conviction of a crime of violence or a violation of  
4 the act of April 14, 1972 (P.L.233, No.64), known as The  
5 Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act.

6       (2) A period of five years has elapsed since the  
7 completion of the most recent term of imprisonment, if any,  
8 for any crime, other than a summary offense.

9       (c) Proceedings.--Whenever any person petitions the court of  
10 common pleas pursuant to this section, a hearing shall be held  
11 in open court to determine whether the requirements of  
12 subsection (b) have been met. The Commissioner of the  
13 Pennsylvania State Police and the district attorney of the  
14 county of venue shall be parties to any such proceeding.

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