

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1775 Session of
1993

INTRODUCED BY BISHOP, TRELLO, LAUGHLIN, ROONEY AND JOSEPHS,
JUNE 14, 1993

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON AGING AND YOUTH, JUNE 14, 1993

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the
2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for
3 custody of delinquent and dependent children.

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

6 Section 1. Section 6324 of Title 42 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

8 § 6324. Taking into custody.

9 (a) General rule.--A child may be taken into custody:

10 (1) Pursuant to an order of the court under this
11 chapter.

12 (2) Pursuant to the laws of arrest.

13 (3) By a law enforcement officer or duly authorized
14 officer of the court if there are reasonable grounds to
15 believe that the child is suffering from illness or injury or
16 is in imminent danger from his surroundings, and that his
17 removal is necessary.

18 (4) By a law enforcement officer or duly authorized

1 officer of the court if there are reasonable grounds to
2 believe that the child has run away from his parents,
3 guardian, or other custodian.

4 (5) By a law enforcement officer or duly authorized
5 officer of the court if there are reasonable grounds to
6 believe that the child has violated conditions of his
7 probation.

8 (b) Prohibition.--Except as provided in subsection (a)(3),
9 an employee of the Department of Public Welfare may not take a
10 child into custody on the grounds that the child is a dependent
11 child.

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