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JANUARY 26, 1995

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, JANUARY 26, 1995

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of November 22, 1978 (P.L.1166, No.274),  
2 entitled "An act establishing the Pennsylvania Commission on  
3 Crime and Delinquency, providing for its powers and duties  
4 establishing several advisory committees within the  
5 commission and providing for their powers and duties,"  
6 further providing for powers and duties of the Pennsylvania  
7 Commission on Crime and Delinquency.

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

10 Section 1. Section 3 of the act of November 22, 1978  
11 (P.L.1166, No.274), referred to as the Pennsylvania Commission  
12 on Crime and Delinquency Law, is amended by adding a paragraph  
13 to read:

14 Section 3. Powers and duties of the commission.

15 The commission shall have the power and its duty shall be:

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17 (17) To establish and administratively support a  
18 correctional population projections committee which shall

1 prepare and present to the Governor and to the General  
2 Assembly an analysis of any bill introduced in the General  
3 Assembly that would have an impact on prison or jail systems  
4 as well as on State and local probation and parole  
5 populations and programs. The committee's membership shall  
6 include representatives of the commission, one of whom shall  
7 serve as chairperson, the Office of the Budget, the  
8 Department of Corrections, the Pennsylvania Board of  
9 Probation and Parole, the Pennsylvania Sentencing Commission,  
10 the chairman and minority chairman of the Appropriations  
11 Committee of the Senate and the chairman and minority  
12 chairman of the Appropriations Committee of the House of  
13 Representatives, or their designees, and any other agencies  
14 whose participation is considered necessary by the committee.

15 Section 2. The act is amended by adding a section to read:

16 Section 9.1. Impact analysis utilization by General Assembly.

17 (a) Note required for bills.--Except as otherwise provided  
18 in subsection (d)(1), no bill which shall have an impact on  
19 prison or jail systems as well as on State and local probation  
20 and parole populations shall be given second consideration in  
21 either house of the General Assembly until the committee has  
22 attached an impact analysis of the proposed change.

23 (b) Note required for amendments.--Except as otherwise  
24 provided in subsection (d)(2), no amendment to any bill which  
25 shall have an impact on prison or jail systems as well as on  
26 State and local probation and parole populations shall be  
27 considered by either house of the General Assembly until the  
28 committee has attached an impact analysis.

29 (c) Contents of note.--The impact analysis shall be factual  
30 and shall, if possible, provide a reliable estimate of both the

1 immediate cost and effect of the bill and, if determinable or  
2 reasonably foreseeable, the long-range fiscal cost and effect of  
3 the bill.

4 (d) Effect of failure of commission to attach note.--

5 (1) If the committee fails to attach an impact analysis  
6 within 20 legislative days of a bill's first consideration by  
7 its house of origin, the bill may be further considered in  
8 the same manner as if the impact analysis had been attached  
9 to the bill.

10 (2) If the committee fails to attach an impact analysis  
11 within 20 legislative days after an amendment to a bill  
12 proposing a change which shall have an impact on prison or  
13 jail systems as well as on State and local probation and  
14 parole populations, the amendment may be considered in the  
15 same manner as if the impact analysis had been attached to  
16 the amendment.

17 Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.