

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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1995

INTRODUCED BY GEIST, STERN, MERRY, DEMPSEY, TRELLO, HALUSKA,  
CIVERA, ITKIN, MICHLOVIC, LYNCH, MELIO, STABACK, YOUNGBLOOD  
AND PESCI, OCTOBER 24, 1995

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, OCTOBER 24, 1995

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of August 21, 1953 (P.L.1273, No.361), entitled  
2 "An act to regulate the business of private detectives,  
3 investigators and watch, guard, or patrol agencies, and the  
4 licensing thereof in each county; providing penalties,"  
5 providing for security guards.

6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
7 hereby enacts as follows:

8 Section 1. The act of August 21, 1953 (P.L.1273, No.361),  
9 known as The Private Detective Act of 1953, is amended by adding  
10 a section to read:

11 Section 13.1. Security Guard.--(a) A security guard who  
12 holds a current and valid certification under the act of October  
13 10, 1974 (P.L.705, No.235), known as the "Lethal Weapons  
14 Training Act," may carry a lethal weapon, including a firearm,  
15 as an incidence to employment.

16 (b) A security guard employed by a holder of a license  
17 certificate who has probable cause to believe that a person has  
18 committed a crime on the premises where the guard is employed  
19 may detain the person on the premises until a law enforcement

1 official takes the person into custody.

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