

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

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1999

INTRODUCED BY CONTI, WAGNER, BODACK, TARTAGLIONE, DENT,  
KUKOVICH, STOUT AND SCHWARTZ, MARCH 10, 1999

REFERRED TO LAW AND JUSTICE, MARCH 10, 1999

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," further providing for the  
21 collection of information on crimes relating to disability,  
22 ancestry and sexual orientation.

23 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
24 hereby enacts as follows:

25 Section 1. Section 710(i) of the act of April 9, 1929  
26 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929,  
27 amended October 3, 1986 (P.L.1414, No.129), is amended to read:

1       Section 710.   Pennsylvania State Police.--The Pennsylvania  
2   State Police shall have the power and its duty shall be:

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4       (i)   To collect information relating to crimes and incidents  
5   related to the actual or perceived race, color, religion [or],  
6   national origin, disability, ancestry or sexual orientation of  
7   individuals or groups, which shall be reported monthly by all  
8   local law enforcement agencies and the State Fire Marshal. Any  
9   information, records and statistics collected in accordance with  
10   this subsection shall be available for use by any agency  
11   required to furnish information, to the extent that such  
12   information is reasonably necessary or useful to such agency in  
13   carrying out the duties imposed on it by law. The Commissioner  
14   of the Pennsylvania State Police may, by regulation, establish  
15   such conditions for the use or availability of such information  
16   as may be necessary to its preservation, the protection of  
17   confidential information, or the circumstances of a pending  
18   prosecution.

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