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JANUARY 23, 2001

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, JANUARY 23, 2001

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of November 6, 1987 (P.L.381, No.79), entitled
2 "An act relating to the protection of the abused, neglected,
3 exploited or abandoned elderly; establishing a uniform
4 Statewide reporting and investigative system for suspected
5 abuse, neglect, exploitation or abandonment of the elderly;
6 providing protective services; providing for funding; and
7 making repeals," providing for release of information
8 relating to certain convictions and pleas.

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

11 Section 1. The act of November 6, 1987 (P.L.381, No.79),
12 known as the Older Adults Protective Services Act, is amended by
13 adding a section to read:

14 Section 503.1. Release of information relating to certain
15 convictions and pleas.

16 (a) General rule.--Following an investigation by the
17 department, an administrative department or a law enforcement
18 agency of a report of abuse inflicted upon an older adult and

1 the conviction of the person investigated for any offense
2 involving the abuse, or a plea of guilty or nolo contendere
3 involving the abuse, the department shall make available to any
4 facility, upon request, the person's name and photograph.

5 (b) Maintenance of information.--The department shall
6 maintain a record of the information required by this section
7 and shall periodically seek information from law enforcement
8 officials and district attorneys in this Commonwealth to update
9 the records, including the name and photograph of the persons
10 identified in subsection (a). Law enforcement officials and
11 district attorneys shall cooperate with the department and shall
12 provide the information requested in a timely manner.

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