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HOUSE BILL

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, FEBRUARY 20, 2001

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the  
2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for  
3 sentencing procedure for murder of the first degree.

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

6 Section 1. Section 9711(d)(1) of Title 42 of the  
7 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

8 § 9711. Sentencing procedure for murder of the first degree.

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10 (d) Aggravating circumstances.--Aggravating circumstances  
11 shall be limited to the following:

12 (1) The victim was a firefighter, peace officer,  
13 volunteer firefighter, emergency medical team volunteer,  
14 public servant concerned in official detention, as defined in

1 18 Pa.C.S. § 5121 (relating to escape), judge of any court in  
2 the unified judicial system, the Attorney General of  
3 Pennsylvania, a deputy attorney general, district attorney,  
4 assistant district attorney, member of the General Assembly,  
5 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Auditor General, State  
6 Treasurer, State law enforcement official, local law  
7 enforcement official, Federal law enforcement official or  
8 person employed to assist or assisting any law enforcement  
9 official in the performance of his duties, who was killed in  
10 the performance of his duties or as a result of his official  
11 position.

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