## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 1997 Session of 2009

INTRODUCED BY MATZIE, D. COSTA, BELFANTI, KORTZ, M. O'BRIEN, SIPTROTH AND WAGNER, SEPTEMBER 22, 2009

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2009

## AN ACT

Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for 2 3 exemptions from jury duty. The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 4 5 hereby enacts as follows: 6 Section 1. Section 4503(a) of Title 42 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding paragraphs to read: § 4503. Exemptions from jury duty. 8 9 (a) General rule. -- No person shall be exempt or excused from 10 jury duty except the following: 11 12 (5) Parents or quardians who have custody of children 13 under seven years of age who are the primary caregivers of 14 the child. 15 (6) Parents or quardians who have custody of a school 16 age child that has been excused from compulsory attendance at 17 school or special education program and are providing

instruction for the child.

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- 1 (7) Primary caregivers of an elderly or disabled family
- 2 <u>member.</u>
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- 4 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.