

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 1412 Session of  
2012

INTRODUCED BY GREENLEAF, RAFFERTY, WAUGH, EICHELBERGER, BAKER,  
FERLO, COSTA, BRUBAKER, BROWNE AND MENSCH, FEBRUARY 3, 2012

REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, FEBRUARY 3, 2012

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania  
2 Consolidated Statutes, in protection from abuse, further  
3 providing for arrest for violation of order.

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

6 Section 1. Section 6113(c) of Title 23 of the Pennsylvania  
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

8 § 6113. Arrest for violation of order.

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10 (c) Procedure following arrest.--Subsequent to an arrest,  
11 the defendant shall be taken by the police officer or sheriff  
12 without unnecessary delay before [the] a court in the judicial  
13 district where the contempt is alleged to have occurred for the  
14 purpose of conducting a preliminary arraignment. [When that  
15 court is unavailable, the police officer or sheriff shall convey  
16 the defendant to a magisterial district judge designated as  
17 appropriate by local rules of court or, in the city of  
18 Pittsburgh, to a magistrate of the Pittsburgh Magistrates Court

1 or, in counties of the first class, to the appropriate hearing  
2 officer. For purposes of procedure relating to arraignments for  
3 arrest for violation of an order issued under this chapter, the  
4 judges of Pittsburgh Magistrates Court shall be deemed to be  
5 magisterial district judges] The hearing officer may be a judge  
6 or magisterial district judge or, in a county of the first  
7 class, hearing officer.

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