## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 690

Session of 2013

INTRODUCED BY GOODMAN, K. BOYLE, V. BROWN, BROWNLEE, CARROLL, COHEN, D. COSTA, DEASY, GIBBONS, HARKINS, KINSEY, KORTZ, MATZIE, MOLCHANY, O'BRIEN, READSHAW, ROZZI, SCHLOSSBERG, THOMAS, WATERS, WHITE AND YOUNGBLOOD, FEBRUARY 13, 2013

REFERRED TO COMMITEE ON JUDICIARY, FEBRUARY 13, 2013

## AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 61 (Prisons and Parole) of the Pennsylvania
- 2 Consolidated Statutes, providing for private correctional
- 3 facilities.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Title 61 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
- 7 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:
- 8 § 1106. Private correctional facilities.
- 9 (a) Prohibition. -- No private correctional facility may be
- 10 operated within this Commonwealth.
- 11 (b) Continued operation. -- Nothing in this section may
- 12 prevent the continued operation of any private correctional
- 13 facility that was in operation on the effective date of this
- 14 section.
- (c) Definitions. -- As used in this section, the following
- 16 words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this
- 17 subsection unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

- 1 <u>"Private correctional facility." A for-profit correctional</u>
- 2 <u>facility</u>, prison or jail owned or operated by a private
- 3 <u>contractor contracting with the Commonwealth for the provision</u>
- 4 of correctional services. The term does not include a "community
- 5 corrections facility" as defined under section 4701 (relating to
- 6 <u>definitions</u>).
- 7 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.