

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY SOLOBAY, WASHINGTON, BREWSTER, HUGHES, COSTA,  
BROWNE AND TARTAGLIONE, FEBRUARY 4, 2013

REFERRED TO LAW AND JUSTICE, FEBRUARY 4, 2013

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania  
2 Consolidated Statutes, in municipal police education and  
3 training, further providing for definitions.

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

6 Section 1. The definitions of "college," "police department"  
7 and "university" in section 2162 of Title 53 of the Pennsylvania  
8 Consolidated Statutes are amended to read:

9 § 2162. Definitions.

10 The following words and phrases when used in this subchapter  
11 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the  
12 context clearly indicates otherwise:

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14 "College." A college which has a campus police department,  
15 as used in section 2416 of the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177,  
16 No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, certified by  
17 the Office of Attorney General as a criminal justice agency  
18 under the definition of "criminal justice agency" in 18 Pa.C.S.

1 § 9102 (relating to definitions). [The term does not include the  
2 State System of Higher Education and its member institutions.]

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4 "Police department." Any of the following:

5 (1) A public agency of a political subdivision having  
6 general police powers and charged with making arrests in  
7 connection with the enforcement of the criminal or traffic  
8 laws. This paragraph includes the sheriff's office in a  
9 county of the second class.

10 (2) A campus police or university police department, as  
11 used in section 2416 of the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177,  
12 No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, certified  
13 by the Office of Attorney General as a criminal justice  
14 agency under the definition of "criminal justice agency" in  
15 18 Pa.C.S. § 9102 (relating to definitions). [This paragraph  
16 does not include a campus police or university police  
17 department of the State System of Higher Education and its  
18 member institutions.] This paragraph may include a campus  
19 police or university police department of a member  
20 institution of the State System of Higher Education upon  
21 application to the commission and certified by the Office of  
22 Attorney General.

23 (3) A railroad or street railway police department  
24 formed with officers commissioned under 22 Pa.C.S. Ch. 33  
25 (relating to railroad and street railway police) or any prior  
26 statute providing for such commissioning.

27 (4) The Capitol Police.

28 (5) The Harrisburg International Airport Police.

29 (6) An airport authority police department.

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7 not include the State System of Higher Education and its member  
8 institutions.]

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