

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 398 Session of 2015

INTRODUCED BY WHITE, YAW, BREWSTER, BLAKE, VULAKOVICH, SMITH,
COSTA, BOSCOLA, SCARNATI AND BROWNE, FEBRUARY 4, 2015

REFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION, FEBRUARY 4, 2015

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 20 (Decedents, Estates and Fiduciaries) of the
2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in express anatomical
3 gifts, further providing for use of driver's license or
4 identification card to indicate organ or tissue donation.

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

7 Section 1. Section 8619(a) of Title 20 of the Pennsylvania
8 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

9 § 8619. Use of driver's license or identification card to
10 indicate organ or tissue donation.

11 (a) General rule.--[Beginning as soon as practicable, but no
12 later than January 1, 1995, or one year following the effective
13 date of this section, whichever is later, the] The Department of
14 Transportation shall redesign the driver's license and
15 identification card application system to process requests for
16 information regarding consent of the individual to organ or
17 tissue donation. The following question shall be asked[:] on
18 both the application for a driver's license or identification
19 card and on the organ donor designation at a photo center:

1 Pennsylvania strongly supports organ and tissue donation
2 because of its life-saving and life-enhancing
3 opportunities.

4 Do you wish to have the organ donor designation printed
5 on your driver's license?

6 Only an affirmative response of an individual shall be noted on
7 the front of the driver's license or identification card and
8 shall clearly indicate the individual's intent to donate his
9 organs or tissue. A notation on an individual's driver's license
10 or identification card that he intends to donate his organs or
11 tissue is deemed sufficient to satisfy all requirements for
12 consent to organ or tissue donation.

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