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AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the 2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in sentencing, further
- providing for order of probation, for conditions of probation
- and for modification or revocation of order of probation and
- 5 providing for probation review conference.
- 6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 7 hereby enacts as follows:
- 8 Section 1. Section 9754(b) of Title 42 of the Pennsylvania
- 9 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:
- 10 § 9754. Order of probation.
- 11 * * *
- 12 (b) Conditions generally. -- The court shall attach reasonable
- 13 conditions authorized by section 9763 (relating to conditions of
- 14 probation) [as it deems necessary to ensure or assist the
- 15 defendant in leading a law-abiding life].
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- 17 Section 2. Section 9763(b)(1), (2) and (11) of Title 42 are
- 18 amended to read:

- 1 § 9763. Conditions of probation.
- 2 * * *
- 3 (b) Conditions generally. -- [The court may attach any of the
- 4 following conditions upon the defendant as it deems necessary:]
- 5 Conditions shall be assessed and ordered based on individualized
- 6 <u>circumstances</u>. Following an individualized assessment of the
- 7 <u>defendant</u>, including the defendant's history and the underlying
- 8 crime or crimes committed, the court shall attach only those
- 9 conditions that the court deems necessary and the least
- 10 restrictive means available to promote the defendant's
- 11 rehabilitation and protection of the public, including any of
- 12 the following:
- 13 (1) To meet family responsibilities[.], including
- 14 consideration of child-care responsibilities and limitations,
- other than the child-care responsibilities and limitations
- 16 contained in 23 Pa.C.S. Ch. 43 (relating to support matters
- 17 generally) which shall be governed exclusively by the
- 18 provisions of that chapter.
- 19 (2) To be devoted to a specific occupation, employment
- or education, study or vocational training initiative.
- 21 * * *
- 22 (11) To [be subject to intensive supervision while
- remaining within the jurisdiction of the court and to] notify
- the court or designated person of any change in address or
- employment[.] within 72 hours, unless the defendant provides
- 26 sufficient proof of extenuating circumstances to explain the
- 27 delay.
- 28 * * *
- 29 Section 3. Section 9771(a), (b) and (c) of Title 42 are
- 30 amended and the section is amended by adding a subsection to

- 1 read:
- 2 § 9771. Modification or revocation of order of probation.
- 3 (a) General rule. -- The court has inherent power to at any
- 4 time terminate continued supervision, lessen the conditions upon
- 5 which an order of probation has been imposed or increase the
- 6 conditions under which an order of probation has been imposed
- 7 upon a finding by clear and convincing evidence that a person
- 8 presents an identifiable threat to public safety.
- 9 (b) Revocation. -- The court may increase the conditions,
- 10 impose a brief sanction under section 9771.1 (relating to court-
- 11 imposed sanctions for violating probation) or revoke an order of
- 12 probation upon proof of the violation of specified conditions of
- 13 the probation. [Upon] <u>Subject to the limitations of subsections</u>
- 14 (b.1) and (c), upon revocation the sentencing alternatives
- 15 available to the court shall be the same as were available at
- 16 the time of initial sentencing, due consideration being given to
- 17 the time spent serving the order of probation. The attorney for
- 18 the Commonwealth may file notice at any time prior to
- 19 resentencing of the Commonwealth's intention to proceed under an
- 20 applicable provision of law requiring a mandatory minimum
- 21 sentence.
- 22 (b.1) Nonpayment of fines or costs. -- Notwithstanding
- 23 subsection (b), the court may not extend the period of
- 24 probation, may not impose a brief sanction under section 9771.1
- 25 and may not revoke an order of probation solely due to
- 26 nonpayment of fines or costs unless the court finds, with
- 27 respect to the payment of fines, the defendant is financially
- 28 able to pay the fines and has willfully refused to do so.
- 29 (c) Limitation on sentence of total confinement.--[The court
- 30 shall not impose a sentence of total confinement upon revocation

1	unless it finds that:
2	(1) the defendant has been convicted of another crime;
3	or
4	(2) the conduct of the defendant indicates that it is
5	likely that he will commit another crime if he is not
6	imprisoned; or
7	(3) such a sentence is essential to vindicate the
8	authority of the court.] There is a presumption against total
9	confinement for technical violations of probation. The
10	following shall apply:
11	(1) The court may impose a sentence of total confinement
12	upon revocation only if:
13	(i) the defendant has been convicted of another
14	<pre>crime;</pre>
15	(ii) the court finds by clear and convincing
16	evidence that the defendant committed a technical
17	violation that involves an identifiable threat to public
18	safety and the defendant cannot be safely diverted from
19	total confinement through less restrictive means; or
20	(iii) the court finds by a preponderance of the
21	evidence that the defendant committed a technical
22	violation and any of the following apply:
23	(A) The technical violation was sexual in
24	<pre>nature.</pre>
25	(B) The technical violation involved assaultive
26	behavior or included a credible threat to cause
27	bodily injury to another, including acts committed
28	against a family or household member.
29	(C) The technical violation involved possession
3 ()	or control of a firearm or dangerous weapon

1	(D) The technical violation involved the
2	manufacture, sale, delivery or possession with the
3	intent to manufacture, sell or deliver, a controlled
4	substance or other drug regulated under the act of
5	April 14, 1972 (P.L.233, No.64), known as The
6	Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act.
7	(E) The defendant absconded and cannot be safely
8	diverted from total confinement through less
9	restrictive means.
10	(F) The technical violation involved an
11	intentional and unexcused failure to adhere to
12	recommended programming or conditions on three or
13	more separate occasions and the defendant cannot be
14	safely diverted from total confinement through less
15	restrictive means. For purposes of this clause,
16	multiple technical violations stemming from the same
17	episode of events shall not constitute separate
18	technical violations.
19	(2) If a court imposes a sentence of total confinement
20	following a revocation, the basis of which is for one or more
21	technical violations under paragraph (1)(ii) or (iii), the
22	defendant shall be sentenced as follows:
23	(i) For a first technical violation, a maximum
24	period of 14 days.
25	(ii) For a second technical violation, a maximum
26	period of 30 days.
27	(iii) For a third or subsequent technical violation,
28	the court may impose any sentencing alternatives
29	available at the time of initial sentencing.
30	(iv) The court shall consider allowing the term of

Τ	<u>incarceration to be served on weekends or other nonwork</u>
2	days for employed probationers who have committed a first
3	or second technical violation.
4	(v) The time limitations contained in this paragraph
5	shall not apply to the extent that a reasonable term of
6	additional total confinement, not to exceed 30 days, is
7	necessary to allow a defendant to either be evaluated for
8	or to participate in:
9	(A) a court-ordered drug, alcohol or mental
10	health treatment program; or
11	(B) a problem-solving court provided for in
12	section 916 (relating to problem-solving courts).
13	(3) Nothing in this section shall prevent the adoption
14	of a program under section 9771.1.
15	* * *
16	Section 4. Title 42 is amended by adding a section to read:
17	§ 9774.1. Probation review conference.
18	(a) General rule Except as otherwise provided in this
19	section, the court shall hold a probation review conference no
20	later than 60 days from the date the defendant is eligible. If a
21	defendant's probation review conference has not commenced within
22	the time frames specified in this subsection, the defendant's
23	attorney, or the defendant if unrepresented, may file a motion
24	demanding a probation review conference within five business
25	days.
26	(b) Eligibility for review conference Except as otherwise
27	provided in this section, a defendant shall be eligible for an
28	initial probation review conference as follows:
29	(1) If the offense for which a sentence of probation was
30	imposed was a misdemeanor, the defendant shall be eligible

Τ.	ior an initial probation review conference after completing
2	two years of probation or 50% of the probation sentence,
3	whichever is sooner.
4	(2) If the offense for which a sentence of probation was
5	imposed was a felony, a defendant shall be eligible for an
6	initial probation review conference after completing four
7	years of probation or 50% of the probation sentence,
8	whichever is sooner.
9	(3) If the sentence or sentences imposed arose out of
10	convictions for multiple offenses which the court ordered to
11	be served consecutively and:
12	(i) The offenses for which the sentence or sentences
13	were imposed are misdemeanors based on the same conduct
14	or arising from the same criminal episode, the defendant
15	shall be eligible for a probation review conference after
16	completing two years of probation or 50% of the aggregate
17	probation sentence, whichever is sooner.
18	(ii) The offenses for which the sentence or
19	sentences were imposed included a felony and are based on
20	the same conduct or arise from the same criminal episode,
21	the defendant shall be eligible for a probation review
22	conference after completing four years of probation or
23	50% of the aggregate probation sentence, whichever is
24	sooner.
25	(iii) The offenses for which the sentence or
26	sentences were imposed are based on separate conduct and
27	arose from separate criminal episodes, the defendant
28	shall be eligible for a probation review conference after
29	completing four years of probation or 50% of the
30	aggregate probation sentence, whichever is sooner.

1	(4) A defendant sentenced to a period of probation
2	consecutive to a period of incarceration in a State
3	correctional institution shall be eligible for an initial
4	probation review conference 12 months prior to the date that
5	the defendant would otherwise be eligible for a probation
6	review conference under this subsection if the defendant
7	completed the final 12 months of State parole supervision
8	without violating the terms and conditions of the defendant's
9	parole. This paragraph shall not apply to a defendant who
10	serves fewer than 12 months on State parole supervision.
11	(5) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this
12	section, a defendant shall not be eligible to receive an
13	initial probation review conference less than 12 months from
14	the original date of sentencing.
15	(c) Accelerated early review conference
16	(1) Subject to the limitations in subsection (b)(5), a
17	defendant serving probation that was imposed for a
18	misdemeanor or felony offense shall be eligible for an
19	initial probation review conference six months prior to the
20	date that the defendant would otherwise be eligible under
21	subsection (b) if the defendant successfully satisfies any of
22	the following conditions while serving the term of probation:
23	(i) Earns a high school diploma or certificate of
24	high school equivalency.
25	(ii) Earns an associate degree from an accredited
26	university, college, seminary college, community college
27	or two-year college.
28	(iii) Earns a bachelor's degree from an accredited
29	university, college or seminary college.
30	(iv) Earns a master's or other graduate degree from

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2	(v) Obtains a vocational or occupational license,
3	certificate, registration or permit.
4	(vi) Completes a certified vocational, certified
5	technical or certified career education or training
6	program.
7	(vii) Any other condition approved by the court at
8	the time of sentencing that substantially assists the
9	defendant in leading a law-abiding life or furthers the
10	rehabilitative needs of the defendant.
11	(2) Subject to the limitations in subsection (b)(5), a
12	defendant serving probation that was imposed for a felony
13	offense shall be eligible for an initial probation review
14	conference up to a total of six months prior to the date that
15	the defendant would otherwise be eligible under paragraph (1)
16	if the defendant satisfies an additional condition specified
17	in paragraph (1) while serving the term of probation.
18	(3) To qualify a defendant for an accelerated initial
19	probation review conference under paragraphs (1) and (2), any
20	condition under paragraph (1)(v), (vi) or (vii) must be
21	approved by the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and
22	Delinquency or an advisory committee of that commission
23	designated to provide approval PROBATION OFFICER RESPONSIBLE <
24	FOR THE SUPERVISION OF THE DEFENDANT.
25	(d) Probation status report No later than 30 days prior to
26	the date the defendant is otherwise entitled to a probation
27	review conference under subsection (b) or (c), the probation
28	office responsible for the supervision of the defendant shall
29	complete and submit a probation status report to the defendant,
30	the court, AND the Commonwealth and any victim registered with <

Τ	<u>either the Pennsylvania Uffice of Victim Advocate or a county</u>
2	victim witness program. The probation status report shall
3	contain the following:
4	(1) The date the probation office believes the defendant
5	is eligible for a probation review conference.
6	(2) A statement as to whether:
7	(i) Any of the factors or violations specified in
8	subsection (g) (1) (ii) and (iii) have occurred.
9	(ii) The defendant has committed any other technical
10	violation within the six months prior to the probation
11	status report.
12	(iii) The defendant was convicted of a misdemeanor
13	or felony while either incarcerated or serving probation.
14	(iv) The defendant has completed all treatment of
15	any other program required as a condition of probation.
16	(v) The defendant has paid all restitution owed to
17	the victim.
18	(3) A description of the defendant's progress on
19	probation and a recommendation that:
20	(i) the defendant's probation be terminated at or
21	before the date the probation office believes the
22	defendant is eligible for a probation review conference;
23	(ii) the defendant should continue on probation as
24	previously ordered; or
25	(iii) the defendant should continue on probation
26	under different, reduced or increased terms and
27	conditions.
28	(e) Objections to status report A person entitled to the
29	probation status report under subsection (d) shall have 30 days
30	from the date of the status report to object or otherwise

1 respond to the probation status report. The following shall

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(1) If a party objects to all or any component of the

probation status report, the court shall hold a probation

review conference as otherwise provided by this subsection

and shall notify the defendant, the Commonwealth and any

victim registered with either the Pennsylvania Office of

Victim Advocate or a county victim witness program of the

date of the probation review conference.

(2) If none of the parties entitled to the probation status report object to the recommendation contained in the report within 30 days, upon evidence satisfactory to the court that the probation status report was sent to each party entitled to receive the probation status report, the probation review conference shall be deemed waived. The court shall enter an order memorializing the recommendation contained in the probation status report and so notify the defendant, the Commonwealth and any victim registered with either the Pennsylvania Office of Victim Advocate or a county victim witness program. The court may enter the order even if the defendant's probation, sentence or plea of guilty was the result of an agreement between the Commonwealth and the defendant.

(f) Termination of probation. --

- (1) Except as provided in subsection (g), immediately following the probation review conference, the court shall terminate probation unless the court finds:
- 28 <u>(i) by clear and convincing evidence that the</u>
 29 <u>conduct of the defendant while on probation created an</u>
 30 identifiable threat to public safety, including

1	consideration of whether the defendant is the subject of
2	an active protection from abuse order under 23 Pa.C.S.
3	Ch. 61 (relating to protection from abuse) or an active
4	protection from intimidation order under 18 Pa.C.S. Ch.
5	49 Subch. B. (relating to victim and witness
6	<pre>intimidation);</pre>
7	(ii) by a preponderance of the evidence that the
8	defendant has not successfully completed all treatment or
9	other programs required as a condition of probation, and
10	termination of probation would either prevent the
11	defendant from continuing in the court-mandated treatment
12	or programming that the court determines is still
13	necessary to aid in the defendant's rehabilitation or
14	would create a substantial likelihood that the defendant
15	would discontinue the treatment or programs; or
16	(iii) by a preponderance of the evidence that the
17	defendant has failed to pay the total restitution owed by
18	the defendant.
19	(2) The court may terminate probation under paragraph
20	(1) even if the defendant's probation, sentence or plea of
21	guilty was the result of an agreement between the
22	Commonwealth and the defendant.
23	(3) If the court does not terminate probation at a
24	probation review conference, the defendant shall receive
25	written notice of the court's order detailing the court's
26	findings. The defendant shall be eligible for a subsequent
27	probation review conference no later than 12 months after the
28	date of the most recent probation review conference.
29	(g) Prohibitions on early termination
30	(1) A defendant shall not have the defendant's probation

Τ	terminated under this section if:
2	(i) the defendant was convicted of a misdemeanor of
3	the first degree, misdemeanor of the second degree or
4	felony offense of any degree committed while either
5	incarcerated or serving probation;
6	(ii) the court finds by clear and convincing
7	evidence that the defendant committed a technical
8	violation within the six months immediately preceding the
9	defendant's probation review conference that involved an
10	identifiable threat to public safety; or
11	(iii) a court determines at the probation review
12	conference by a preponderance of the evidence that the
13	defendant committed one of the following technical
14	violations within the six months immediately preceding
15	the defendant's probation review conference:
16	(A) A technical violation that was sexual in
17	<pre>nature.</pre>
18	(B) A technical violation that involved
19	assaultive behavior or included a credible threat to
20	cause bodily injury to another, including acts
21	committed against a family or household member.
22	(C) A technical violation that involved
23	possession or control of a firearm or dangerous
24	weapon.
25	(D) The technical violation involved the
26	manufacture, sale, delivery or possession with the
27	intent to manufacture, sell or deliver, a controlled
28	substance or other drug regulated under the act of
29	April 14, 1972 (P.L.233, No.64), known as The
30	Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act.

Τ	(E) The defendant absconded.
2	(F) A technical violation that involved an
3	intentional and unexcused failure to adhere to
4	recommended programming or conditions on three or
5	more separate occasions. For purposes of this clause,
6	multiple technical violations stemming from the same
7	episode of events shall not constitute separate
8	technical violations.
9	(2) If the defendant is ineligible for termination of
10	probation as a result of a technical violation enumerated in
11	paragraph (1)(ii) or (iii) occurring within the six months
12	immediately preceding the probation review conference and if
13	all other conditions are satisfied, a probation review
14	conference shall be held six months after the date that the
15	enumerated technical violation occurred.
16	(h) Failure to pay restitution
17	(1) If the court does not terminate probation at a
18	probation review conference solely because of the defendant's
19	failure to pay restitution in full, the court shall order
20	that the defendant be placed on administrative probation for
21	the remaining balance of the defendant's probation sentence A <
22	PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED THE DEFENDANT'S REMAINING BALANCE AT THE
23	TIME ADMINISTRATIVE PROBATION IS ASSIGNED if:
24	(i) the defendant has paid at least 50% of the
25	restitution owed; or
26	(ii) the court determines, considering the
27	defendant's resources, income and family, legal or other
28	obligations, that the defendant has made a good faith
29	effort to pay.
30	(2) The provisions of section 9771(c) (relating to

- 1 modification or revocation of order of probation) shall apply
- 2 to individuals placed on administrative probation pursuant to
- 3 this subsection.
- 4 (3) Nothing in this section shall be construed to
- 5 <u>interfere with a victim's right to pursue private remedies in</u>
- 6 <u>accordance with 18 Pa.C.S. § 1106(g) (relating to restitution</u>
- for injuries to person or property).
- 8 (i) Applicability. -- This section shall not apply and the
- 9 <u>defendant shall not be entitled to a probation review conference</u>
- 10 or to early termination of probation under this section if the
- 11 offense for which the defendant was sentenced to probation was
- 12 one of the following:
- 13 (1) an offense under 18 Pa.C.S. Ch. 25 (relating to
- criminal homicide);
- 15 (2) a crime of violence;
- 16 (3) an offense listed under Subchapter H (relating to
- 17 registration of sexual offenders) or I (relating to continued
- 18 registration of sexual offenders) of Chapter 97;
- 19 (4) an offense under 18 Pa.C.S. § 2701 (relating to
- simple assault) when committed against a family or household
- 21 member; or
- 22 (5) an offense under 18 Pa.C.S. § 2709.1 (relating to
- 23 stalking).
- 24 (j) Other remedies preserved. -- Nothing in this section shall
- 25 be construed to:
- 26 (1) prevent a defendant from petitioning a court for
- 27 <u>early termination of probation or modification of the terms</u>
- and conditions of probation as otherwise permitted by law;
- 29 (2) prohibit the court, in its discretion, from
- 30 <u>eliminating or decreasing the term of probation under section</u>

Τ	9//1(d); or
2	(3) diminish the court's power to:
3	(i) otherwise, at any time, terminate continued
4	supervision or lessen the conditions upon which an order
5	of probation has been imposed;
6	(ii) create or administer a process or program which
7	seeks to terminate continued supervision or lessen the
8	conditions upon which an order of probation has been
9	<pre>imposed; or</pre>
10	(iii) seek information from the Commonwealth,
11	defendant, victim, county probation officer or any other
12	individual or entity to assist in these processes or
13	programs.
14	(k) Definitions As used in this section, the following
15	words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this
16	subsection unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:
17	"Administrative probation." A term of imposed probation
18	<pre>that:</pre>
19	(1) Requires a defendant to make supervision contact at
20	least one time and no more than four times per year.
21	(2) Requires a defendant to notify the court or the
22	designated person of any change in address or employment
23	within a reasonable period of time.
24	(3) Requires a defendant to pay the remaining
25	restitution, as ordered by the court on a schedule or payment
26	plan that the defendant can afford to pay.
27	(4) Does not require the defendant to pay monthly
28	probation administration fees or any additional costs for the
29	continuation of supervision on administrative probation.
30	(5) Does not impose any other condition of probation.

- 1 <u>"Crime of violence."</u> As defined in section 9714(g) (relating
- 2 to sentences for second and subsequent offenses).
- 3 "Dangerous weapon." Any of the following:
- 4 (1) A "weapon" as defined in 18 Pa.C.S. § 907 (relating
- 5 to possessing instruments of crime); or
- 6 (2) An "offensive weapon" as defined in 18 Pa.C.S. § 908
- 7 <u>(relating to prohibited offensive weapons).</u>
- 8 <u>"Family or household members."</u> As defined in 23 Pa.C.S. §
- 9 <u>6102(a) (relating to definitions).</u>
- "Firearm." As defined in 18 Pa.C.S. § 908.
- 11 <u>"Technical violation."</u> A violation of the specific terms and
- 12 conditions of a defendant's probation, other than by the
- 13 commission of a new crime of which the defendant is convicted or
- 14 found quilty by a judge or jury or to which the defendant pleads
- 15 guilty or nolo contendere in a court of record.
- 16 Section 5. This act shall apply as follows:
- 17 (1) This act shall apply to individuals sentenced or
- 18 resentenced on or after the effective date of this section.
- 19 (2) Except for the addition of 42 Pa.C.S. § 9774.1, this
- 20 act shall apply to individuals sentenced or resentenced prior
- 21 to the effective date of this section.
- 22 Section 6. Nothing in this act shall be construed to prevent
- 23 a defendant from petitioning a court for early termination of
- 24 probation or modification of the terms and conditions of
- 25 probation as otherwise permitted by law.
- 26 Section 7. The following apply:
- 27 (1) The following apply to post-sentencing reviews:
- 28 (i) Subject to paragraph (2), the courts shall
- ensure that the probation of all individuals sentenced or
- 30 resentenced prior to the effective date of this section

1	are reviewed to determine whether the individuals should
2	be considered for early termination of probation or
3	modification of the terms and conditions of probation.
4	The review shall occur at the later of one year after the
5	effective date of this section or:
6	(A) For a probation sentence on a misdemeanor
7	conviction, the date the defendant has completed two
8	years of probation.
9	(B) For a felony conviction, the date the
10	defendant has completed four years of probation.
11	(C) For a probation sentence based on a
12	conviction involving multiple offenses arising out of
13	the same criminal episode:
14	(I) the date the defendant has completed two
15	years of probation if all the offenses resulting
16	in the sentence were misdemeanors; or
17	(II) the date the defendant has completed
18	four years of probation if one of the offenses
19	resulting in the sentence included a felony.
20	(ii) For each case under review, the defendant and
21	the Commonwealth shall have the opportunity, in advance
22	of a decision, to provide written comments to the court.
23	Courts may by local rule adopt such procedures as they
24	deem appropriate to accomplish the reviews.
25	(2) (i) This section shall not apply if:
26	(A) The defendant committed one of the following
27	technical violations within the six months
28	immediately preceding the defendant's probation
29	review conference:
30	(i) A technical violation that was sexual in

(ii) A technical violation that involved 2 assaultive behavior or included a credible threat 3 to cause bodily injury to another, including 4 incidents involving domestic violence. 5 (iii) A technical violation that involved 6 7 possession or control of a firearm or dangerous 8 weapon. 9 The technical violation involved the 10 manufacture, sale, delivery or possession with 11 the intent to manufacture, sell or deliver, a 12 controlled substance or other drug regulated 13 under the act of April 14, 1972 (P.L.233, No.64), 14 known as The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device 15 and Cosmetic Act. (v) The defendant absconded. 16 17 (vi) A technical violation which involved an 18 intentional and unexcused failure to adhere to 19 recommended programming or conditions on three or 20 more separate occasions. For the purposes of this 21 clause, multiple technical violations stemming 22 from the same episode of events shall not 23 constitute separate technical violations. 24 (vii) A technical violation that involved an 25 identifiable threat to public safety. 26 The defendant was convicted of a misdemeanor of 27 the first degree, misdemeanor of the second degree or 28 felony offense committed while either incarcerated or 29 serving probation. (iii) The defendant was convicted of an offense 30

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nature.

- listed under 42 Pa.C.S. Ch. 97 Subch. H (relating to registration of sexual offenders) or I (relating to continued registration of sexual offenders).
- 4 (iv) The defendant was convicted of a crime of violence.
- (v) The defendant was convicted of an offense under 18 Pa.C.S. § 2701 (relating to simple assault) or 2709.1 (relating to stalking) against any of the defendant's family or household members.
- 10 Section 8. When a court, either as a result of a petition or
- 11 as a result of its review under section 7 of this act, seeks to
- 12 determine whether an individual sentenced or resentenced prior
- 13 to the effective date of this section should be considered for
- 14 early termination of probation or modification of the terms and
- 15 conditions of probation, the court shall ensure that due
- 16 consideration is given to whether the individual has
- 17 successfully satisfied the conditions contained in 42 Pa.C.S. §
- 18 9774.1(c)(1) or (2).
- 19 Section 9. This act shall take effect in 180 days.