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PUCCIARELLI AND LAUGHLIN, MARCH 20, 1979

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, MARCH 20, 1979

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), entitled
2 "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the
3 executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the
4 Executive Department thereof and the administrative
5 departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof,
6 including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or
7 Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or
8 authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative
9 departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and
10 duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative
11 officers, and of the several administrative departments,
12 boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the
13 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive
14 and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of
15 certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and
16 other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards,
17 and commissions; and prescribing the manner in which the
18 number and compensation of the deputies and all other
19 assistants and employes of certain departments, boards and
20 commissions shall be determined," further providing for the
21 duties of the Department of Justice as to local prisons and
22 jails.

23 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
24 hereby enacts as follows:

25 Section 1. Section 911, act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177,
26 No.175), known as "The Administrative Code of 1929," amended
27 July 16, 1968 (P.L.350, No.172), is amended to read:

1 Section 911. (a) The Department of Justice shall have the
2 power and its duty shall be to supervise and control the State
3 Correctional Institution at Philadelphia, State Correctional
4 Institution at Pittsburgh, State Correctional Institution at
5 Rockview, State Correctional Institution at Graterford, State
6 Correctional Institution at Huntingdon, State Correctional
7 Institution at Camp Hill, State Correctional Institution at
8 Muncy, State Correctional Institution at Dallas and such State
9 regional jails, forestry camps and other State penal or
10 correctional off-institution grounds, facilities or
11 installations which have been and which may be established by
12 law.

13 (b) Any and all records of inspections of local prisons and
14 jails made by the Department of Justice pursuant to the powers
15 and duties transferred to the department under the
16 Reorganization Plan No. 5 of 1955 (P.L.2048), shall be public
17 records and shall be available for public inspection.

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