

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

# HOUSE BILL

No. 2620 Session of  
1994

INTRODUCED BY DeWEESE, KASUNIC, GEORGE, KUKOVICH, LYNCH, PESCI,  
BUNT, FICHTER, M. N. WRIGHT, MASLAND, D. W. SNYDER, WAUGH,  
BELARDI, GAMBLE, WILLIAMS, STABACK, NICKOL, CAWLEY, TIGUE,  
ROBERTS, VAN HORNE, BATTISTO, GIGLIOTTI, MARKOSEK, SURRA,  
MUNDY, SAURMAN, SERAFINI, TRELLO, BLAUM, LAUGHLIN, NAILOR,  
LUCYK, PLATTS, DRUCE, LAWLESS, COWELL, MILLER, HERMAN, LEH,  
COLAFELLA, ROONEY, FREEMAN, MERRY AND HANNA, MARCH 21, 1994

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, MARCH 21, 1994

## AN ACT

1 Amending the act of July 3, 1986 (P.L.388, No.84), entitled "An  
2 act requiring public agencies to hold certain meetings and  
3 hearings open to the public; and providing penalties,"  
4 further providing for jurisdiction and venue of judicial  
5 proceedings.

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

8 Section 1. Section 15 of the act of July 3, 1986 (P.L.388,  
9 No.84), known as the Sunshine Act, is amended to read:

10 Section 15. Jurisdiction and venue of judicial proceedings.

11 The Commonwealth Court shall have original jurisdiction of  
12 actions involving State agencies and [the courts of common  
13 pleas] district justices shall have original jurisdiction of  
14 actions involving other agencies to [render declaratory  
15 judgments or to] enforce this act[,]. The courts of common pleas  
16 shall have appellate jurisdiction involving other agencies to  
17 render judgments or to further enforce this act, by injunction

1 or other remedy deemed appropriate by the court. The action may  
2 be brought by any person where the agency whose act is  
3 complained of is located or where the act complained of  
4 occurred.

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