## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE BILL No. 20 Session of 1997

INTRODUCED BY MARSICO, GEIST, LYNCH, CLARK, BELARDI, MAITLAND, ITKIN, SATHER, WAUGH, FICHTER, LEH, CORRIGAN, STEIL, FLICK, FARGO, PETTIT, LUCYK AND ROSS, JANUARY 27, 1997

AS RE-REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, JUNE 9, 1997

## AN ACT

| 1<br>2<br>3 | Amending the act of June 22, 1964 (Sp.Sess., P.L.84, No.6),<br>entitled "An act to codify, amend, revise and consolidate the<br>laws relating to eminent domain," providing for estimates. |
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| 4           | The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania   |
| 5           | hereby enacts as follows:  |
| 6           | Section 1. Section 407(a) of the act of June 22, 1964  |
| 7           | (Sp.Sess., P.L.84, No.6), known as the Eminent Domain Code,  |
| 8           | amended December 5, 1969 (P.L.316, No.137), is amended to read:  |
| 9           | Section 407. Possession; Entry; Payment of Compensation  |
| 10          | (a) The condemnor, after the expiration of the time for filing   |
| 11          | preliminary objections by the condemnee to the declaration of  |
| 12          | taking, shall be entitled to possession or right of entry upon   |
| 13          | payment of, or a written offer to pay to the condemnee, the  |
| 14          | amount of just compensation as estimated by the condemnor[.] and   |
| 15          | based upon one or more appraisals performed by an individual or  |
| 16          | individuals certified under the act of July 10, 1990 (P.L.404,   |
| 17          | No.98), known as the "Real Estate Appraisers Certification Act."   |

1 If a condemnee thereafter refuses to deliver possession or 2 permit right of entry, the prothonotary upon praecipe of the 3 condemnor shall issue a rule, returnable in five days after 4 service upon the condemnee, to show cause why a writ of possession should not issue, upon which the court, unless 5 preliminary objections warranting delay are pending, may issue a 6 writ of possession conditioned upon payment to the condemnee or 7 8 into court of such estimated just compensation and on such other 9 terms as the court may direct.

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