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SEMMELE, SCRIMENTI AND E. Z. TAYLOR, FEBRUARY 10, 1999

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, FEBRUARY 10, 1999

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, defining "public service recipient";
3 and further providing for dissemination of criminal record
4 information.

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

7 Section 1. Section 9102 of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania
8 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a definition to read:
9 § 9102. Definitions.

10 The following words and phrases when used in this chapter
11 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
12 context clearly indicates otherwise:

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14 "Public service recipient."

15 (1) a board of school directors which has requested
16 criminal history record information concerning applicants for
17 school bus driver, teacher or substitute teacher positions;
18 or

1 (2) the mayor of a city, the mayor of a borough or town,
2 the chairman of the board of commissioners or supervisors of
3 a township or the chief executive officer of a home rule
4 municipality, as the case may be, who has requested criminal
5 history record information about a special fire police
6 nominee, volunteer fireman, volunteer member of an ambulance
7 service or rescue squad or applicant for municipal
8 employment.

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10 Section 2. Section 9121 of Title 18 is amended by adding a
11 subsection to read:

12 § 9121. General regulations.

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14 (g) Availability to public service recipients.--
15 Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary,
16 criminal justice agencies shall disseminate without charge
17 criminal history record information, including, but not limited
18 to, a summary of the Statewide criminal history record
19 information which is contained in the central repository and may
20 be accessed by a criminal justice agency through any automated,
21 electronic or other means, to any public service recipient.

22 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.