THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1724 Session of 2003

INTRODUCED BY GRUCELA, BEBKO-JONES, BELFANTI, COY, DALEY, DALLY, FABRIZIO, HARHAI, HORSEY, LEACH, SAYLOR, SCRIMENTI, SOLOBAY, SURRA, THOMAS, WASHINGTON, WATERS AND YOUNGBLOOD, JUNE 26, 2003

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, JUNE 26, 2003

AN ACT

Amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania

- Consolidated Statutes, further providing for award of 3 custody, partial custody or visitation. 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 5 hereby enacts as follows: Section 1. Section 5303(a)(1) of Title 23 of the 6 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended to read: Award of custody, partial custody or visitation. 8 General rule. --10 In making an order for custody or partial custody, the court shall consider the preference of the child as well 11 12 as [any] other [factor] <u>factors</u> which legitimately [impacts] 13 impact the child's physical, intellectual and emotional well-14 being. Factors may include, but are not limited to, the manner in which the custodial parent has expended child
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1 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.