

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2977 Session of  
2004

INTRODUCED BY CREIGHTON, BENNINGHOFF, CAPPELLI, CAUSER, CLYMER,  
CRAHALLA, DENLINGER, EGOLF, FLICK, GODSHALL, GOOD, GOODMAN,  
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SOLOBAY, STERN, SURRA, E. Z. TAYLOR, WATSON, YOUNGBLOOD AND  
FABRIZIO, NOVEMBER 9, 2004

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, NOVEMBER 9, 2004

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania  
2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for continuing  
3 jurisdiction over support orders.

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

6 Section 1. Section 4352 of Title 23 of the Pennsylvania  
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subsection to read:  
8 § 4352. Continuing jurisdiction over support orders.

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10 (b.1) Petition for accounting.--Upon petition of the obligor  
11 and after a hearing and a showing of good cause, the court may  
12 order an obligee to account for the manner in which child  
13 support payments are spent. A petition for an accounting must  
14 state with specificity the reasons why the obligor believes that  
15 the child support is not being spent for the benefit of the  
16 children. If, after the hearing, the court dismisses the  
17 petition for an accounting, the court may order the obligor to

1 pay costs and the reasonable attorney fees of the obligee.

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