
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY NESBIT, KAUFFMAN, KORTZ, PICKETT, RYAN, ROTHMAN,
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BERNSTINE, READSHAW, MEHAFFIE, GABLER, IRVIN, RADER, DeLUCA,
SIMMONS AND GILLEN, FEBRUARY 11, 2019

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, FEBRUARY 11, 2019

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in child custody, further providing
3 for award of custody.

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

6 Section 1. Section 5323(g)(1) of Title 23 of the
7 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a
8 subparagraph to read:

9 § 5323. Award of custody.

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11 (g) Contempt for noncompliance with any custody order.--

12 (1) A party who willfully fails to comply with any
13 custody order may, as prescribed by general rule, be adjudged
14 in contempt. Contempt shall be punishable by any one or more
15 of the following:

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17 (vi) A temporary modification of the physical

1 custody schedule so that the child receives compensatory
2 parenting time to make up for lost time that the child
3 would otherwise have spent with the party who brought the
4 contempt action.

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