## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 943

Session of 1997

INTRODUCED BY BAKER, SCHULER, ARGALL, ITKIN, FAIRCHILD,
PHILLIPS, BUNT, STERN, HERSHEY, MELIO, GEIST, GORDNER,
KAISER, TIGUE, ROBERTS, HALUSKA, WOGAN, SATHER, C. WILLIAMS,
DeLUCA, BROWNE, McGILL, FARGO, RUBLEY, TRELLO, RAMOS,
J. TAYLOR, BOSCOLA, STEELMAN, CIVERA, SAYLOR AND ROSS,
MARCH 18, 1997

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, MARCH 18, 1997

## AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the
- 2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for
- 3 jurisdiction and venue of district justices.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Section 1515(a) of Title 42 of the Pennsylvania
- 7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a paragraph to read:
- 8 § 1515. Jurisdiction and venue.
- 9 (a) Jurisdiction. -- Except as otherwise prescribed by general
- 10 rule adopted pursuant to section 503 (relating to reassignment
- 11 of matters), district justices shall, under procedures
- 12 prescribed by general rule, have jurisdiction of all of the
- 13 following matters:
- 14 \* \* \*
- 15 (3.1) An action in replevin wherein the value of the
- 16 personal property at issue does not exceed \$2,000.

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- Section 2. This act shall take effect in 180 days. 2