THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1659 Session of 1997

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AS AMENDED ON THIRD CONSIDERATION, IN SENATE, NOVEMBER 18, 1998

AN ACT

| 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 | Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for THE NUMBER OF JUDGES IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS AND THE PHILADELPHIA MUNICIPAL COURT, FOR ACTIONS THAT MUST BE COMMENCED WITHIN SIX MONTHS, FOR other offenses, FOR DEFICIENCY JUDGMENTS AND FOR THE DEFINITION OF "LOCAL AGENCY" FOR PURPOSES OF GOVERNMENTAL IMMUNITY; and making editorial changes. | < | | | |
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| 9 | The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania | | | | |
| 10 | hereby enacts as follows: | | | | |
| 11 | Section 1. Section 5552(b) of Title 42 of the Pennsylvania | < | | | |
| 12 | Consolidated Statutes, is amended to read: | | | | |
| 13 | SECTION 1. SECTIONS 5522(B)(2), 5552(B) AND 8103 OF TITLE 42 | < | | | |
| 14 | OF THE PENNSYLVANIA CONSOLIDATED STATUTES ARE AMENDED TO READ: | | | | |
| 15 | SECTION 1. SECTIONS 911, 1121, 5522(B)(2), 5552(B) AND 8103 | < | | | |
| 16 | OF TITLE 42 OF THE PENNSYLVANIA CONSOLIDATED STATUTES ARE | | | | |
| 17 | AMENDED TO READ: | | | | |
| 18 | § 911. COURTS OF COMMON PLEAS. | | | | |
| 19 | (A) GENERAL RULE THERE SHALL BE ONE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS | | | | |
| 20 | FOR EACH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THIS COMMONWEALTH CONSISTING OF | | | | |

| 1 | THE FOLLOWING | NUMBER OF JUDGES: | | |
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| 2 | | | NUMBER C |)F |
| 3 | JUD | DICIAL DISTRICT | JUDGES | |
| 4 | | FIRST | [90] | <u>93</u> |
| 5 | | SECOND | 11 | |
| 6 | | THIRD | 7 | |
| 7 | | FOURTH | 1 | |
| 8 | | FIFTH | 41 | |
| 9 | | SIXTH | 8 | |
| 10 | | SEVENTH | 11 | |
| 11 | | EIGHTH | 2 | |
| 12 | | NINTH | 5 | |
| 13 | | TENTH | 11 | |
| 14 | | ELEVENTH | 9 | |
| 15 | | TWELFTH | 8 | |
| 16 | | THIRTEENTH | 2 | |
| 17 | | FOURTEENTH | 5 | |
| 18 | | FIFTEENTH | 11 | |
| 19 | | SIXTEENTH | 3 | |
| 20 | | SEVENTEENTH | 2 | |
| 21 | | EIGHTEENTH | 1 | |
| 22 | | NINETEENTH | 11 | |
| 23 | | TWENTIETH | 1 | |
| 24 | | TWENTY-FIRST | 5 | |
| 25 | | TWENTY-SECOND | 1 | |
| 26 | | TWENTY-THIRD | 11 | |
| 27 | | TWENTY-FOURTH | 4 | |
| 28 | | TWENTY-FIFTH | 2 | |
| 29 | | TWENTY-SIXTH | 2 | |
| 30 | | TWENTY-SEVENTH | 5 | |
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| 1 | TWENTY-EIGHTH | 2 |
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| 2 | TWENTY-NINTH | 5 |
| 3 | THIRTIETH | 2 |
| 4 | THIRTY-FIRST | 9 |
| 5 | THIRTY-SECOND | 18 |
| 6 | THIRTY-THIRD | 2 |
| 7 | THIRTY-FOURTH | 1 |
| 8 | THIRTY-FIFTH | 3 |
| 9 | THIRTY-SIXTH | 6 |
| 10 | THIRTY-SEVENTH | 1 |
| 11 | THIRTY-EIGHTH | 18 |
| 12 | THIRTY-NINTH | 4 |
| 13 | FORTIETH | 2 |
| 14 | FORTY-FIRST | 2 |
| 15 | FORTY-SECOND | 2 |
| 16 | FORTY-THIRD | 5 |
| 17 | FORTY-FOURTH | 1 |
| 18 | FORTY-FIFTH | 6 |
| 19 | FORTY-SIXTH | 2 |
| 20 | FORTY-SEVENTH | 5 |
| 21 | FORTY-EIGHTH | 1 |
| 22 | FORTY-NINTH | 3 |
| 23 | FIFTIETH | 5 |
| 24 | FIFTY-FIRST | 3 |
| 25 | FIFTY-SECOND | 3 |
| 26 | FIFTY-THIRD | 3 |
| 27 | FIFTY-FOURTH | 1 |
| 28 | FIFTY-FIFTH | 1 |
| 29 | FIFTY-SIXTH | 2 |
| 30 | FIFTY-SEVENTH | 2 |
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- 1 FIFTY-EIGHTH 1
- 2 FIFTY-NINTH 1
- 3 SIXTIETH 1
- 4 (B) SINGLE COUNTY DISTRICTS.--IN SINGLE COUNTY JUDICIAL
- 5 DISTRICTS THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF THE DISTRICT SHALL BE
- 6 KNOWN AS THE "COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF (THE RESPECTIVE) COUNTY."
- 7 (C) MULTICOUNTY DISTRICTS.--IN MULTICOUNTY JUDICIAL
- 8 DISTRICTS THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF THE DISTRICT SHALL BE
- 9 KNOWN AS THE "COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF THE (RESPECTIVE) JUDICIAL
- 10 DISTRICT." THERE SHALL BE A SEPARATE BRANCH OF THE COURT IN EACH
- 11 COUNTY COMPRISING THE JUDICIAL DISTRICT.
- 12 § 1121. PHILADELPHIA MUNICIPAL COURT.
- 13 THE PHILADELPHIA MUNICIPAL COURT SHALL CONSIST OF [25] 28
- 14 JUDGES.
- 15 § 5522. SIX MONTHS LIMITATION.
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- 17 (B) COMMENCEMENT OF ACTION REQUIRED. -- THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS
- 18 AND PROCEEDINGS MUST BE COMMENCED WITHIN SIX MONTHS:
- 19 * * *
- 20 (2) A PETITION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A DEFICIENCY
- JUDGMENT FOLLOWING [SALE OF THE COLLATERAL OF THE DEBTOR
- 22 UNDER] EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF THE SHERIFF'S DEED FOR THE
- 23 PROPERTY SOLD IN CONNECTION WITH THE EXECUTION PROCEEDINGS
- 24 REFERENCED IN THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 8103 (RELATING TO
- 25 DEFICIENCY JUDGMENTS).
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- 27 § 5552. Other offenses.
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- 29 (b) Major offenses.--A prosecution for any of the following
- 30 offenses must be commenced within five years after it is

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committed:
           (1) Under the following provisions of Title 18 (relating
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       to crimes and offenses):
 4
               Section 911 (relating to corrupt organizations).
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               Section 2702 (relating to aggravated assault).
               Section 2706 (relating to terroristic threats).
 6
               Section 2901 (relating to kidnapping).
 7
               Section 3121 (relating to rape).
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 9
               Section 3122.1 (relating to statutory sexual
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           assault).
11
               Section 3123 (relating to involuntary deviate sexual
           intercourse).
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               Section 3124.1 (relating to sexual assault).
14
               Section 3125 (relating to aggravated indecent
15
           assault).
16
               Section 3301 (relating to arson and related
17
           offenses).
18
               Section 3502 (relating to burglary).
19
               Section 3701 (relating to robbery).
20
               Section 3921 (relating to theft by unlawful taking or
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           disposition) through section 3933 (relating to unlawful
22
           use of computer).
23
               Section 4101 (relating to forgery).
24
               Section 4108 (relating to commercial bribery and
25
           breach of duty to act disinterestedly).
26
               Section 4109 (relating to rigging publicly exhibited
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           contest).
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               Section 4117 (relating to insurance fraud).
               Section 4302 (relating to incest).
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               Section 4701 (relating to bribery in official and
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- 1 political matters) through section 4703 (relating to
- 2 retaliation for past official action).
- 3 Section 4902 (relating to perjury) through section
- 4 4912 (relating to impersonating a public servant).
- 5 Section 4952 (relating to intimidation of witnesses
- 6 or victims).
- 7 Section 4953 (relating to retaliation against witness
- 8 or victim).
- 9 Section 5101 (relating to obstructing administration
- of law or other governmental function).
- 11 <u>Section 5111 (relating to dealing in proceeds of</u>
- 12 <u>unlawful activities</u>).
- Section 5512 (relating to lotteries, etc.) through
- section 5514 (relating to pool selling and bookmaking).
- Section 5902(b) (relating to prostitution and related
- offenses).
- 17 Section 6312 (relating to sexual abuse of children).
- 18 (2) Any offense punishable under section 13(f) of the
- 19 act of April 14, 1972 (P.L.233, No.64), known as The
- 20 Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act.
- 21 (3) Any conspiracy to commit any of the offenses set
- forth in paragraphs (1) and (2) and any solicitation to
- commit any of the offenses in paragraphs (1) and (2) if the
- 24 solicitation results in the completed offense.
- 25 (4) Under the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21),
- 26 known as the Public Welfare Code.
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- 28 § 8103. DEFICIENCY JUDGMENTS.
- 29 (A) GENERAL RULE. -- WHENEVER ANY REAL PROPERTY IS SOLD,
- 30 DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, TO THE JUDGMENT CREDITOR IN EXECUTION

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- 1 PROCEEDINGS AND THE PRICE FOR WHICH SUCH PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD
- 2 IS NOT SUFFICIENT TO SATISFY THE AMOUNT OF THE JUDGMENT,
- 3 INTEREST AND COSTS AND THE JUDGMENT CREDITOR SEEKS TO COLLECT
- 4 THE BALANCE DUE ON SAID JUDGMENT, INTEREST AND COSTS, THE
- 5 JUDGMENT CREDITOR SHALL PETITION THE COURT [HAVING JURISDICTION]
- 6 TO FIX THE FAIR MARKET VALUE OF THE REAL PROPERTY SOLD. THE
- 7 PETITION SHALL BE FILED AS A SUPPLEMENTARY PROCEEDING IN THE
- 8 MATTER IN WHICH THE JUDGMENT WAS ENTERED.
- 9 (B) EFFECT OF FAILURE TO GIVE NOTICE. -- ANY DEBTOR, OBLIGOR,
- 10 GUARANTOR, MORTGAGOR, AND ANY OTHER PERSON DIRECTLY OR
- 11 INDIRECTLY LIABLE TO THE JUDGMENT CREDITOR FOR THE PAYMENT OF
- 12 THE DEBT, AND ANY OWNER OF THE PROPERTY AFFECTED THEREBY, WHO IS
- 13 NEITHER NAMED IN THE PETITION NOR SERVED WITH A COPY THEREOF OR
- 14 NOTICE OF THE FILING THEREOF AS PRESCRIBED BY GENERAL RULE,
- 15 SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE DISCHARGED FROM ALL PERSONAL LIABILITY TO
- 16 THE JUDGMENT CREDITOR ON THE DEBT, INTEREST AND COSTS, BUT ANY
- 17 SUCH FAILURE TO NAME SUCH PERSON IN THE PETITION OR TO SERVE THE
- 18 PETITION OR NOTICE OF THE FILING THEREOF SHALL NOT PREVENT
- 19 PROCEEDINGS AGAINST ANY RESPONDENT NAMED AND SERVED.
- 20 (C) ACTION ON PETITION.--
- 21 (1) IF NO ANSWER IS FILED WITHIN THE TIME PRESCRIBED BY
- 22 GENERAL RULE, OR IF AN ANSWER IS FILED WHICH DOES NOT
- 23 CONTROVERT THE ALLEGATION OF THE FAIR MARKET VALUE OF THE
- 24 PROPERTY AS AVERRED IN THE PETITION, THE COURT SHALL
- 25 DETERMINE AND FIX AS THE FAIR MARKET VALUE OF THE PROPERTY
- 26 SOLD THE AMOUNT THEREOF ALLEGED IN THE PETITION TO BE THE
- FAIR MARKET VALUE.
- 28 (2) IF AN ANSWER IS FILED CONTROVERTING THE AVERMENT IN
- THE PETITION AS TO THE FAIR MARKET VALUE OF THE PROPERTY, BUT
- 30 NO TESTIMONY IS PRODUCED AT THE HEARING SUPPORTING SUCH

- 1 DENIAL OF THE FAIR MARKET VALUE, THE COURT SHALL DETERMINE
- 2 AND FIX AS THE FAIR MARKET VALUE OF THE PROPERTY SOLD THE
- 3 AMOUNT THEREOF ALLEGED IN THE PETITION TO BE THE FAIR MARKET
- 4 VALUE[, AND THEREUPON ENTER A DECREE DIRECTING THE JUDGMENT
- 5 CREDITOR TO FILE RELEASE OF THE DEBTORS, OBLIGORS, GUARANTORS
- 6 OR ANY OTHER PERSONS DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY LIABLE FOR THE
- 7 DEBTS, TO THE EXTENT OF THE FAIR VALUE SO FIXED, WHEREUPON
- 8 EXECUTION MAY BE ISSUED FOR THE BALANCE OF THE DEBT].
- 9 (3) IF AN ANSWER IS FILED ALLEGING AS THE FAIR MARKET
- 10 VALUE AN AMOUNT IN EXCESS OF THE FAIR MARKET VALUE OF THE
- PROPERTY AS AVERRED IN THE PETITION, THE JUDGMENT CREDITOR
- MAY AGREE TO ACCEPT AS THE FAIR MARKET VALUE OF THE PROPERTY
- 13 THE VALUE SET UP IN THE ANSWER AND IN SUCH CASE MAY FILE A
- 14 STIPULATION RELEASING THE DEBTORS, OBLIGORS AND GUARANTORS,
- 15 AND ANY OTHER PERSONS LIABLE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY FOR THE
- DEBT, AND THE OWNERS OF THE PROPERTY AFFECTED THEREBY, FROM
- 17 PERSONAL LIABILITY TO THE JUDGMENT CREDITOR TO THE EXTENT OF
- 18 THE FAIR MARKET VALUE AS AVERRED IN THE ANSWER, LESS THE
- 19 AMOUNT OF ANY PRIOR LIENS, COSTS, TAXES AND MUNICIPAL CLAIMS
- 20 NOT DISCHARGED BY THE SALE, AND ALSO LESS THE AMOUNT OF ANY
- 21 SUCH ITEMS PAID AT DISTRIBUTION ON THE SALE.
- 22 (4) IF AN ANSWER [SHALL BE] IS FILED AND TESTIMONY
- 23 PRODUCED SETTING FORTH THAT THE FAIR MARKET VALUE OF THE
- 24 PROPERTY IS MORE THAN THE VALUE STATED IN THE PETITION, THE
- 25 COURT SHALL <u>HEAR EVIDENCE OF, AND</u> DETERMINE AND FIX THE FAIR
- 26 MARKET VALUE OF THE PROPERTY[, WHICH SHALL IN NO EVENT EXCEED
- 27 THE AMOUNT OF THE DEBT, INTEREST, COSTS, TAXES AND MUNICIPAL
- 28 CLAIMS] SOLD.
- 29 <u>(5)</u> AFTER THE HEARING<u>, IF ANY</u>, AND THE DETERMINATION BY
- 30 THE COURT UNDER PARAGRAPHS (1), (2) OR (4) OF THE FAIR MARKET

- 1 VALUE OF THE PROPERTY SOLD, <u>THEN, EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE</u>
- 2 PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (F), THE DEBTOR, OBLIGOR, GUARANTOR
- 3 AND ANY OTHER PERSON LIABLE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY TO THE
- 4 JUDGMENT CREDITOR FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE DEBT SHALL BE
- 5 RELEASED AND DISCHARGED OF SUCH LIABILITY TO THE JUDGMENT
- 6 CREDITOR TO THE EXTENT OF THE FAIR MARKET VALUE OF SAID
- 7 PROPERTY [AS PREVIOUSLY AGREED TO BY THE JUDGMENT CREDITOR
- 8 OR] DETERMINED BY THE COURT, LESS THE AMOUNT OF ALL PRIOR
- 9 LIENS, COSTS, TAXES AND MUNICIPAL CLAIMS NOT DISCHARGED BY
- 10 THE SALE, AND ALSO LESS THE AMOUNT OF ANY SUCH ITEMS PAID AT
- 11 THE DISTRIBUTION ON THE SALE, AND SHALL ALSO BE RELEASED AND
- 12 DISCHARGED OF SUCH LIABILITY TO THE EXTENT OF ANY AMOUNT BY
- 13 WHICH THE SALE PRICE, LESS SUCH PRIOR LIENS, COSTS, TAXES AND
- 14 MUNICIPAL CLAIMS, EXCEEDS THE FAIR MARKET VALUE AS AGREED TO
- 15 BY THE JUDGMENT CREDITOR OR FIXED AND DETERMINED BY THE COURT
- 16 AS PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION, AND THEREUPON THE JUDGMENT
- 17 CREDITOR MAY PROCEED BY APPROPRIATE PROCEEDINGS TO COLLECT
- 18 THE BALANCE OF THE DEBT.
- 19 (D) ACTION IN ABSENCE OF PETITION.--IF THE JUDGMENT CREDITOR
- 20 SHALL FAIL TO PRESENT A PETITION TO FIX THE FAIR MARKET VALUE OF
- 21 THE REAL PROPERTY SOLD WITHIN THE TIME AFTER THE SALE OF SUCH
- 22 REAL PROPERTY PROVIDED BY SECTION 5522 (RELATING TO SIX MONTHS
- 23 LIMITATION), THE DEBTOR, OBLIGOR, GUARANTOR OR ANY OTHER PERSON
- 24 LIABLE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY TO THE JUDGMENT CREDITOR FOR THE
- 25 PAYMENT OF THE DEBT, OR ANY PERSON INTERESTED IN ANY REAL ESTATE
- 26 WHICH WOULD, EXCEPT FOR THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION, BE BOUND
- 27 BY THE JUDGMENT, MAY FILE A PETITION, AS A SUPPLEMENTARY
- 28 PROCEEDING IN THE MATTER IN WHICH THE JUDGMENT WAS ENTERED, IN
- 29 THE COURT HAVING JURISDICTION, SETTING FORTH THE FACT OF THE
- 30 SALE, AND THAT NO PETITION HAS BEEN FILED WITHIN THE TIME

- 1 LIMITED BY [STATUTE AFTER THE SALE] SECTION 5522 TO FIX THE FAIR
- 2 MARKET VALUE OF THE PROPERTY SOLD, WHEREUPON THE COURT, AFTER
- 3 NOTICE AS PRESCRIBED BY GENERAL RULE, AND BEING SATISFIED OF
- 4 SUCH FACTS, SHALL DIRECT THE CLERK TO MARK THE JUDGMENT
- 5 SATISFIED, RELEASED AND DISCHARGED.
- 6 (E) WAIVER OF BENEFIT OF SECTION PROHIBITED. -- ANY AGREEMENT
- 7 MADE BY ANY DEBTOR, OBLIGOR, SURETY OR GUARANTOR AT ANY TIME,
- 8 EITHER BEFORE OR AFTER OR AT THE TIME OF INCURRING ANY
- 9 OBLIGATION, TO WAIVE THE BENEFITS OF THIS SECTION OR TO RELEASE
- 10 ANY OBLIGEE FROM COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS HEREOF SHALL BE
- 11 VOID.
- 12 (F) CERTAIN SPECIAL ALLOCATIONS. -- NOTWITHSTANDING THE
- 13 PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (C)(5), IF THE JUDGMENT CREDITOR IS A
- 14 NONCONSUMER JUDGMENT CREDITOR AND:
- 15 (1) IF THE JUDGMENT HAS BEEN ENTERED WITH RESPECT TO A
- 16 PARTIAL RECOURSE OBLIGATION, THE FAIR MARKET VALUE OF THE
- 17 PROPERTY, DETERMINED AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C), WILL BE
- APPLIED FIRST TO DISCHARGE, AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C)(5),
- 19 ALL LIABILITY FOR THE NONRECOURSE PORTION OF THE OBLIGATION
- 20 BEFORE ANY PORTION OF SUCH VALUE IS APPLIED TO DISCHARGE ANY
- 21 <u>LIABILITY FOR THE RECOURSE PORTION OF THE OBLIGATION; AND</u>
- 22 (2) IF THE JUDGMENT HAS BEEN ENTERED WITH RESPECT TO AN
- 23 <u>OBLIGATION OF WHICH ONLY A PORTION IS GUARANTEED, THE FAIR</u>
- 24 MARKET VALUE OF THE PROPERTY, DETERMINED AS PROVIDED IN
- 25 SUBSECTION (C), WILL BE APPLIED FIRST TO DISCHARGE, AS
- 26 PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C), ALL LIABILITY FOR THE PORTION OF
- 27 THE OBLIGATION WHICH IS NOT GUARANTEED, BEFORE ANY PORTION OF
- 28 SUCH VALUE IS APPLIED TO DISCHARGE ANY LIABILITY FOR THE
- 29 <u>PORTION OF SUCH OBLIGATION WHICH IS GUARANTEED.</u>
- 30 (G) DEFINITIONS.--AS USED IN THIS SECTION, THE FOLLOWING

- 1 WORDS AND PHRASES SHALL HAVE THE MEANINGS GIVEN TO THEM IN THIS
- 2 **SUBSECTION:**
- 3 <u>"CONSUMER CREDIT TRANSACTION." A CREDIT TRANSACTION IN WHICH</u>
- 4 THE PARTY TO WHOM CREDIT IS OFFERED OR EXTENDED IS A NATURAL
- 5 PERSON AND THE MONEY, PROPERTY OR SERVICES WHICH ARE THE SUBJECT
- 6 OF THE TRANSACTION ARE PRIMARILY FOR PERSONAL, FAMILY OR
- 7 HOUSEHOLD PURPOSES.
- 8 <u>"JUDGMENT." THE JUDGMENT WHICH WAS ENFORCED BY THE EXECUTION</u>
- 9 PROCEEDINGS REFERRED TO IN SUBSECTION (A), WHETHER THAT JUDGMENT
- 10 IS A JUDGMENT IN PERSONAM SUCH AS A JUDGMENT REQUIRING THE
- 11 PAYMENT OF MONEY, OR A JUDGMENT DE TERRIS OR IN REM SUCH AS A
- 12 JUDGMENT ENTERED IN AN ACTION OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE OR A
- 13 JUDGMENT ENTERED IN AN ACTION OR PROCEEDING UPON A MECHANIC'S
- 14 LIEN, A MUNICIPAL CLAIM, A TAX LIEN OR A CHARGE ON LAND.
- 15 "JUDGMENT CREDITOR." THE HOLDER OF THE JUDGMENT WHICH WAS
- 16 ENFORCED BY THE EXECUTION PROCEEDINGS.
- 17 "NONCONSUMER JUDGMENT CREDITOR." ANY JUDGMENT CREDITOR
- 18 EXCEPT A JUDGMENT CREDITOR WHOSE JUDGMENT WAS ENTERED WITH
- 19 RESPECT TO A CONSUMER CREDIT TRANSACTION.
- 20 "NONRECOURSE PORTION OF THE OBLIGATION." THE PORTION AS TO
- 21 WHICH THE JUDGMENT CREDITOR'S RECOURSE IS LIMITED TO THE
- 22 MORTGAGED PROPERTY OR OTHER SPECIFIED ASSETS OF THE DEBTOR WHICH
- 23 ARE LESS THAN ALL OF SUCH ASSETS.
- 24 "PARTIAL RECOURSE OBLIGATION." AN OBLIGATION WHICH INCLUDES
- 25 BOTH A NONRECOURSE PORTION AND A RECOURSE PORTION.
- 26 <u>"RECOURSE PORTION OF THE OBLIGATION." ALL OF THE OBLIGATION</u>
- 27 EXCEPT THE NONRECOURSE PORTION THEREOF.
- 28 SECTION 2. THE DEFINITION OF "LOCAL AGENCY" IN SECTION 8501
- 29 OF TITLE 42 IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 30 § 8501. DEFINITIONS.

- 1 THE FOLLOWING WORDS AND PHRASES WHEN USED IN THIS CHAPTER
- 2 SHALL HAVE, UNLESS THE CONTEXT CLEARLY INDICATES OTHERWISE, THE
- 3 MEANINGS GIVEN TO THEM IN THIS SECTION:
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- "LOCAL AGENCY." A GOVERNMENT UNIT OTHER THAN THE 5
- 6 COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT. THE TERM INCLUDES AN INTERMEDIATE
- 7 UNIT[.] AND MUNICIPALITIES COOPERATING IN THE EXERCISE OR
- 8 PERFORMANCE OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNCTIONS, POWERS OR
- 9 RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER 53 PA.C.S. CH. 23 SUBCH. A (RELATING TO
- 10 <u>INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION</u>).
- 11 SECTION 3. THE NEW JUDGESHIPS FOR THE FIRST DISTRICT ADDED <---
- 12 BY THE AMENDMENT OF 42 PA.C.S. § 911(A) AND FOR THE PHILADELPHIA
- 13 MUNICIPAL COURT ADDED BY THE AMENDMENT OF 42 PA.C.S. § 1121
- 14 SHALL BE CREATED ON JULY 1, 1999, AND SHALL BE INITIALLY FILLED
- 15 BY THE GOVERNOR IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 13 OF ARTICLE V OF
- 16 THE CONSTITUTION OF PENNSYLVANIA.
- 17 SECTION 3 4. THE AMENDMENT OF 42 PA.C.S. §§ 5522 AND 8103

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- 18 SHALL APPLY TO ALL ACTIONS AND PROCEEDINGS PENDING ON THE
- 19 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACT.
- Section $\frac{2}{4}$ 5. This act shall take effect immediately. 20