

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 935 Session of
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MARCH 17, 1999

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, MARCH 17, 1999

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the
2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for
3 compensation of and travel allowance for jurors.

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

6 Section 1. Section 4561 of Title 42 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

8 § 4561. Compensation of and travel allowance for jurors.

9 (a) Compensation.--A person summoned to serve as a juror
10 shall receive compensation [at the rate of \$9 a day for the
11 first three days in any calendar year he shall be required to
12 report for service and \$25 a day for each day thereafter in
13 such] equal to the Pennsylvania prevailing minimum hourly wage
14 for each hour of any day in any calendar year that such person
15 is required to report. In addition, persons so summoned shall be
16 paid a travel allowance at the [rate of 17¢ per mile] standard
17 mileage rate approved by the Internal Revenue Service circular

1 except that no travel allowance shall be paid in the first
2 judicial district.

3 (b) State reimbursement.--The Commonwealth shall reimburse
4 each county 80% of the amount expended by the county for such
5 compensation and travel allowance beyond the first three days of
6 service if the juror is participating in a trial or in grand
7 jury proceedings. Application for reimbursement shall be made by
8 the county to the State Treasurer through the Administrative
9 Office pursuant to procedures prescribed by said office. As used
10 in this section, trial participation shall include voir dire
11 examination only if such examination shall have commenced prior
12 to the juror's fourth day of service.

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