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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE BILL

No. 2854 Session of  
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INTRODUCED BY LEDERER, DALEY, ROONEY, BELARDI, CAPPABIANCA,  
TIGUE, PISTELLA, HORSEY, RAMOS, PETRARCA, YOUNGBLOOD, BARRAR,  
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THOMAS, OCTOBER 31, 2000

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, OCTOBER 31, 2000

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the  
2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, increasing the two year  
3 statute of limitations for certain actions.

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

6 Section 1. Section 5524 of Title 42 of the Pennsylvania  
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

8 § 5524. [Two year] Three year limitation.

9 The following actions and proceedings must be commenced  
10 within [two] three years:

11 (1) An action for assault, battery, false imprisonment,  
12 false arrest, malicious prosecution or malicious abuse of  
13 process.

14 (2) An action to recover damages for injuries to the  
15 person or for the death of an individual caused by the  
16 wrongful act or neglect or unlawful violence or negligence of  
17 another.

1           (3) An action for taking, detaining or injuring personal  
2 property, including actions for specific recovery thereof.

3           (4) An action for waste or trespass of real property.

4           (5) An action upon a statute for a civil penalty or  
5 forfeiture.

6           (6) An action against any officer of any government unit  
7 for the nonpayment of money or the nondelivery of property  
8 collected upon on execution or otherwise in his possession.

9           (7) Any other action or proceeding to recover damages  
10 for injury to person or property which is founded on  
11 negligent, intentional, or otherwise tortious conduct or any  
12 other action or proceeding sounding in trespass, including  
13 deceit or fraud, except an action or proceeding subject to  
14 another limitation specified in this subchapter.

15       Section 2. This act shall apply to all causes of action  
16 arising after December 31, 2000.

17       Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.