THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY YUDICHAK, PISTELLA, COSTA, HARRIS, PALLONE, BELFANTI, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, CRAHALLA, DALEY, DeWEESE, FABRIZIO, FRANKEL, FREEMAN, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, W. KELLER, LEDERER, LEVDANSKY, MANN, O'NEILL, READSHAW, REICHLEY, SAINATO, SAYLOR, SEMMEL, SHANER, STERN, TANGRETTI, THOMAS, TIGUE, WALKO, WASHINGTON, WATSON AND YOUNGBLOOD, MARCH 29, 2005

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON AGING AND OLDER ADULT SERVICES, MARCH 29, 2005

AN ACT

- Amending the act of November 6, 1987 (P.L.381, No.79), entitled
 "An act relating to the protection of the abused, neglected,
 exploited or abandoned elderly; establishing a uniform
 Statewide reporting and investigative system for suspected
 abuse, neglect, exploitation or abandonment of the elderly;
 providing protective services; providing for funding; and
 making repeals, "further providing for grounds for denying
 employment.
- 9 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 10 hereby enacts as follows:
- 11 Section 1. Section 503 of the act of November 6, 1987
- 12 (P.L.381, No.79), known as the Older Adults Protective Services
- 13 Act, amended June 9, 1997 (P.L.160, No.13), is amended to read:
- 14 Section 503. Grounds for denying employment.
- 15 (a) General rule. -- In no case shall a facility hire an
- 16 applicant or retain an employee required to submit information
- 17 pursuant to section 502(a) if the applicant's or employee's
- 18 criminal history record information indicates the applicant or

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employee has been convicted of any of the following offenses:
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           (1) An offense designated as a felony under the act of
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       April 14, 1972 (P.L.233, No.64), known as The Controlled
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       Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act.
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           (2) An offense under one or more of the following
       provisions of 18 Pa.C.S. (relating to crimes and offenses):
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               Chapter 25 (relating to criminal homicide).
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               Section 2702 (relating to aggravated assault).
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               Section 2713 (relating to neglect of care-dependent
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           person).
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               Section 2901 (relating to kidnapping).
               Section 2902 (relating to unlawful restraint).
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               Section 3121 (relating to rape).
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               Section 3122.1 (relating to statutory sexual
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           assault).
               Section 3123 (relating to involuntary deviate sexual
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           intercourse).
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               Section 3124.1 (relating to sexual assault).
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               Section 3125 (relating to aggravated indecent
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           assault).
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               Section 3126 (relating to indecent assault).
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               Section 3127 (relating to indecent exposure).
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               Section 3301 (relating to arson and related
           offenses).
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               Section 3502 (relating to burglary).
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               Section 3701 (relating to robbery).
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               A felony offense under Chapter 39 (relating to theft
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           and related offenses) or two or more misdemeanors under
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           Chapter 39.
               Section 4101 (relating to forgery).
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1 Section 4114 (relating to securing execution of documents by deception). 2 3 Section 4302 (relating to incest). 4 Section 4303 (relating to concealing death of child). Section 4304 (relating to endangering welfare of 5 children). 6 Section 4305 (relating to dealing in infant 7 children). 8 Section 4952 (relating to intimidation of witnesses 9 10 or victims). 11 Section 4953 (relating to retaliation against witness [or victim], victim or party). 12 13 Section 4953.1 (relating to retaliation against prosecutor or judicial official). 14 15 A felony offense under section 5902(b) (relating to prostitution and related offenses). 16 Section 5903(c) or (d) (relating to obscene and other 17 18 sexual materials and performances). 19 Section 6301 (relating to corruption of minors). 20 Section 6312 (relating to sexual abuse of children). (3) A Federal or out-of-State offense similar in nature 21 22 to those crimes listed in paragraphs (1) and (2). 23 (4) An attempt, solicitation or conspiracy to commit any of the offenses listed in paragraph (2), as defined in 18 24 Pa.C.S. section 901 (relating to criminal attempt), 902 25 (relating to criminal solicitation) or 903 (relating to 26 criminal conspiracy). 27 28 (c) Immunity. -- An administrator or a facility shall not be held civilly liable for any action directly related to good 29

faith compliance with this section.

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