THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, MARCH 6, 2007

AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the
- 2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for
- 3 sexual offender registration procedures.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Section 9795.2(a)(4)(i) and (b)(4)(i) of Title 42
- 7 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, amended November 24,
- 8 2004 (P.L.1243, No.152) and November 29, 2006 (P.L.1567,
- 9 No.178), are amended to read:
- 10 § 9795.2. Registration procedures and applicability.
- 11 (a) Registration.--
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- 13 (4) This paragraph shall apply to all offenders and
- 14 sexually violent predators:

1 (i) Where the offender or sexually violent predator was granted parole by the Pennsylvania Board of Probation 2 3 and Parole or the court or is sentenced to probation or 4 intermediate punishment, the board or county office of probation and parole shall collect registration 5 information from the offender or sexually violent 6 predator and forward that registration information to the 7 Pennsylvania State Police. The Department of Corrections 8 or county correctional facility shall not release the 9 10 offender or sexually violent predator until it receives 11 verification from the Pennsylvania State Police that it has received the registration information[.] and has 12 posted the registration information on the Internet as 13 required under section 9798.1 (relating to information 14 15 made available on the Internet). Verification by the 16 Pennsylvania State Police may occur by electronic means, 17 including e-mail or facsimile transmission. Where the 18 offender or sexually violent predator is scheduled to be 19 released from a State correctional facility or county 20 correctional facility because of the expiration of the maximum term of incarceration, the Department of 21 22 Corrections or county correctional facility shall collect 23 the information from the offender or sexually violent 24 predator no later than ten days prior to the maximum 25 expiration date. The registration information shall be 26 forwarded to the Pennsylvania State Police and shall be 27 posted on the Internet as required under section 9798.1 28 prior to the maximum expiration date.

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30 (b) Individuals convicted or sentenced by a court or

1 adjudicated delinquent in jurisdictions outside this

2 Commonwealth or sentenced by court martial.--

3 (4) An individual who resides, is employed or is a 4 student in this Commonwealth and who has been convicted of or 5 sentenced by a court or court martialed for a sexually violent offense or a similar offense under the laws of the 6 United States or one of its territories or possessions, 7 8 another state, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of 9 Puerto Rico or a foreign nation, or who was required to 10 register under a sexual offender statute in the jurisdiction 11 where convicted, sentenced or court martialed, shall register at an approved registration site within 48 hours of the 12 13 individual's arrival in this Commonwealth. The provisions of this subchapter shall apply to the individual as follows: 14

> (i) If the individual has been classified as a sexually violent predator as defined in section 9792 (relating to definitions) or determined under the laws of the other jurisdiction or by reason of court martial to be subject to active notification and lifetime registration on the basis of a statutorily authorized administrative or judicial decision or on the basis of a statute or administrative rule requiring active notification and lifetime registration based solely on the offense for which the individual was convicted, sentenced or court martialed, the individual shall, notwithstanding section 9792, be considered a sexually violent predator and subject to lifetime registration pursuant to section 9795.1(b) [(relating to registration)]. The individual shall also be subject to the provisions of this section and sections 9796

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- (relating to verification of residence), 9798 (relating
 to other notification) and 9798.1(c)(1) [(relating to
 information made available on the Internet)], except that
 the individual shall not be required to receive
 counseling unless required to do so by the other
 jurisdiction or by reason of court martial.

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- 8 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.