

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1008 Session of
2013

INTRODUCED BY MATZIE, BRIGGS, BROWNLEE, O'BRIEN, KOTIK, NEILSON,
V. BROWN, COHEN, SCHLOSSBERG, D. COSTA, KORTZ, BISHOP,
CARROLL, DENLINGER, PARKER, FRANKEL, DEASY, SNYDER, MUNDY,
KIRKLAND, PAINTER AND KULA, MARCH 14, 2013

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, MARCH 14, 2013

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the
2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in juries and jurors,
3 further providing for exemptions from jury duty.

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

6 Section 1. Section 4503(a) of Title 42 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding paragraphs to read:

8 § 4503. Exemptions from jury duty.

9 (a) General rule.--No person shall be exempt or excused from
10 jury duty except the following:

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12 (6) Parents or guardians who have custody of a child
13 under seven years of age, who are the primary caregivers of
14 the child and who opt not to serve.

15 (7) Parents or guardians who have custody of a school
16 age child who has been excused from compulsory attendance at
17 school or special education program, who provide instruction

1 for the child and who opt not to serve.

2 (8) Persons who are primary caregivers of an elderly or
3 disabled family member and who opt not to serve.

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