

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 1080 Session of
1989

INTRODUCED BY ANDREZESKI, PORTERFIELD AND BELAN, JUNE 19, 1989

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AN ACT

1 Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), entitled
2 "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the
3 executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the
4 Executive Department thereof and the administrative
5 departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof,
6 including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or
7 Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or
8 authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative
9 departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and
10 duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative
11 officers, and of the several administrative departments,
12 boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the
13 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive
14 and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of
15 certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and
16 other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards,
17 and commissions; and prescribing the manner in which the
18 number and compensation of the deputies and all other
19 assistants and employes of certain departments, boards and
20 commissions shall be determined," further defining "crime"
21 and "victim" in relation to crime victims' compensation.

22 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
23 hereby enacts as follows:

24 Section 1. The definitions of "crime" and "victim" in
25 section 477 of the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known
26 as The Administrative Code of 1929, amended June 30, 1984
27 (P.L.458, No.96) and December 11, 1986 (P.L.1490, No.155), are

1 amended to read:

2 Section 477. Definitions.--So far as it relates to the crime
3 victim's compensation provisions, the following terms shall be
4 defined as:

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6 "Crime" means an act committed in Pennsylvania which, if
7 committed by a mentally competent, criminally responsible adult,
8 who had no legal exemption or defense, would constitute a crime
9 as defined in and proscribed by Title 18 of the "Pennsylvania
10 Consolidated Statutes," (relating to crimes and offenses) or
11 enumerated in the act of April 14, 1972 (P.L.233, No.64), known
12 as "The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act":
13 Provided, however, That no act involving the operation of a
14 motor vehicle which results in injury shall constitute a crime
15 for the purpose of this act unless such injury was intentionally
16 inflicted through the use of a motor vehicle. The term shall
17 also include any violation of the act of October 27, 1955
18 (P.L.744, No.222), known as the "Pennsylvania Human Relations
19 Act."

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21 "Victim" shall mean a person against whom a crime has been
22 committed, other than the alleged offender, who, as a direct
23 result of the crime, suffers physical or mental injury, death or
24 the loss of earnings as herein defined. The term shall also
25 include persons who suffer physical or mental injury as a result
26 of a violation of the act of October 27, 1955 (P.L.744, No.222),
27 known as the "Pennsylvania Human Relations Act."

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