## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 746

Session of 1995

INTRODUCED BY ROBINSON, THOMAS, LAUGHLIN, DALEY, HALUSKA, CARN, M. N. WRIGHT AND YOUNGBLOOD, FEBRUARY 14, 1995

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT, FEBRUARY 14, 1995

## AN ACT

Amending the act of October 27, 1955 (P.L.744, No.222), 2 entitled, as amended, "An act prohibiting certain practices 3 of discrimination because of race, color, religious creed, ancestry, age or national origin by employers, employment 5 agencies, labor organizations and others as herein defined; 6 creating the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission in the Governor's Office; defining its functions, powers and duties; 7 providing for procedure and enforcement; providing for 8 formulation of an educational program to prevent prejudice; 9 providing for judicial review and enforcement and imposing 10 penalties," providing for authority of local commissions to 11 12 issue subpoenas. 13 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 14 hereby enacts as follows: 15 Section 1. Section 12.1 of the act of October 27, 1955 (P.L.744, No.222), known as the Pennsylvania Human Relations 16 17 Act, is amended by adding a subsection to read: 18 Section 12.1. Local Human Relations Commissions. -- \* \* \* 19 (f) The local commission shall have the power to hold 20 hearings, subpoena witnesses, compel their attendance, 21 administer oaths, take testimony of any person under oath or affirmation and in connection therewith to require the 22 production for examination of any books and papers relating to 23

- 1 any matter under investigation where a complaint has been
- 2 properly filed before the commission.
- 3 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.