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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE BILL

No. 2402 Session of  
1996

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INTRODUCED BY HENNESSEY, GANNON, LYNCH, FICHTER, RUBLEY, WOGAN,  
CALTAGIRONE, FAJT, MERRY, PETTIT, SAYLOR, STERN AND  
E. Z. TAYLOR, FEBRUARY 13, 1996

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, FEBRUARY 13, 1996

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the  
2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for  
3 scope of chapter relating to limitation of time.

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

6 Section 1. Section 5501 of Title 42 of the Pennsylvania  
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

8 § 5501. Scope of chapter.

9 (a) General rule.--An action, proceeding or appeal must be  
10 commenced within the time specified in or pursuant to this  
11 chapter unless, in the case of a civil action or proceeding, a  
12 different time is provided by this title or another statute or a  
13 shorter time which is not manifestly unreasonable is prescribed  
14 by written agreement.

15 (b) Uniform Commercial Code.--The provisions of Title 13  
16 (relating to commercial code), to the extent that they are  
17 inconsistent with this chapter, shall control over the  
18 provisions of this chapter.

1       [(c) Equitable matters.--This chapter is applicable to  
2 equitable matters, but nothing in this chapter shall modify the  
3 principles of waiver, laches and estoppel and similar principles  
4 heretofore applicable in equitable matters.]

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