THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 758

Session of 1997

INTRODUCED BY MOWERY, MARCH 20, 1997

REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, MARCH 20, 1997

AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the
- 2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for
- 3 attachment and summary punishment for contempts.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Section 4132 of Title 42 of the Pennsylvania
- 7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:
- 8 § 4132. Attachment and summary punishment for contempts.
- 9 The power of the several courts of this Commonwealth to issue
- 10 attachments and to impose summary punishments for contempts.
- 11 <u>civil or criminal</u>, of court shall be restricted to the following
- 12 cases:
- 13 (1) The official misconduct of the officers of such
- 14 courts respectively.
- 15 (2) Disobedience or neglect by officers, parties, jurors
- or witnesses of or to the lawful process of the court.
- 17 (3) The misbehavior of any person in the presence of the
- 18 court, thereby obstructing the administration of justice.

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