THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 111

Session of 2003

INTRODUCED BY E. Z. TAYLOR, CLYMER, FLEAGLE, FLICK, FEESE, DeWEESE, HERMAN, SHANER, WILT, RUFFING, THOMAS, MANN, NAILOR, FORCIER, R. MILLER, S. MILLER, READSHAW, HASAY, BAKER, BARRAR, ARGALL, HUTCHINSON, PICKETT, TRUE, GRUCELA, SAYLOR, HARHAI, MCILHATTAN, MCGILL, WATSON, SATHER, COSTA, BARD, HARRIS, HENNESSEY, HESS, ALLEN, TIGUE, LEH, GOODMAN, STABACK, CAPPELLI, BELARDI, MARKOSEK, BROWNE, SCHRODER, GEIST, SOLOBAY, BELFANTI AND DALEY, FEBRUARY 4, 2003

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, FEBRUARY 4, 2003

AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the
- Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for sentencing procedure for murder of the first degree.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Section 9711(d)(1) of Title 42 of the
- 7 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:
- 8 § 9711. Sentencing procedure for murder of the first degree.
- 9 * * *
- 10 (d) Aggravating circumstances. -- Aggravating circumstances
- 11 shall be limited to the following:
- 12 (1) The victim was a firefighter, peace officer,
- volunteer firefighter, emergency medical team volunteer,
- 14 public servant concerned in official detention, as defined in
- 15 18 Pa.C.S. § 5121 (relating to escape), judge of any court in

- 1 the unified judicial system, the Attorney General of
- 2 Pennsylvania, a deputy attorney general, district attorney,
- 3 assistant district attorney, member of the General Assembly,
- 4 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Auditor General, State
- 5 Treasurer, State law enforcement official, local law
- 6 enforcement official, Federal law enforcement official or
- 7 person employed to assist or assisting any law enforcement
- 8 official in the performance of his duties, who was killed in
- 9 the performance of his duties or as a result of his official
- 10 position.
- 11 * * *
- 12 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.