THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1974 Session of 2003

INTRODUCED BY ALLEN, MUNDY, WATSON, ARGALL, BARD, BEBKO-JONES, CAPPELLI, CORRIGAN, CRAHALLA, CREIGHTON, CURRY, DeLUCA, DeWEESE, FORCIER, FRANKEL, FREEMAN, GEIST, GILLESPIE, GINGRICH, GOODMAN, HARRIS, HENNESSEY, HESS, HORSEY, KELLER, LEACH, LEWIS, MARSICO, MCNAUGHTON, S. MILLER, PAYNE, PERZEL, RAYMOND, SAINATO, E. Z. TAYLOR, TIGUE, VANCE, WASHINGTON, WEBER, WILT, YOUNGBLOOD, THOMAS AND ARMSTRONG, SEPTEMBER 11, 2003

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2003

AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania
- 2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for violations of
- 3 certain orders or agreements.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Section 6114(b) of Title 23 of the Pennsylvania
- 7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:
- 8 § 6114. Contempt for violation of order or agreement.
- 9 * * *
- 10 (b) Trial and punishment.--A sentence for contempt under
- 11 this chapter may include imprisonment up to six months [or],
- 12 supervised county probation not to exceed six months, a fine of
- 13 [not less than \$100 nor more than \$1,000,] <u>\$300</u> or [both,]
- 14 imprisonment, probation and a fine and may include other relief
- 15 set forth in this chapter. [All moneys received] One hundred

- 1 dollars of each fine collected under this section shall be
- 2 forwarded to the Commonwealth and shall be used by the
- 3 Pennsylvania State Police to establish and maintain the
- 4 Statewide registry of protection orders provided for in section
- 5 6105 (relating to responsibilities of law enforcement agencies).
- 6 One hundred dollars of each fine collected under this section
- 7 shall be forwarded to the county for its use. One hundred
- 8 dollars of each fine collected under this section shall be
- 9 <u>forwarded to the Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic</u>
- 10 <u>Violence</u>. The defendant shall not have a right to a jury trial
- 11 on such a charge; however, the defendant shall be entitled to
- 12 counsel.
- 13 * * *
- 14 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.