

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 15

Session of
2003

INTRODUCED BY HELFRICK, KUKOVICH, KITCHEN, HUGHES, FUMO AND
A. WILLIAMS, JANUARY 21, 2003

REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, JANUARY 21, 2003

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the
2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, prohibiting the
3 imposition of the death sentence for persons 17 years of age
4 or younger.

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

7 Section 1. Section 9711 of Title 42 of the Pennsylvania
8 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subsection to read:
9 § 9711. Sentencing procedure for murder of the first degree.

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11 (e.1) Minimum age.--A sentence of death shall not be imposed
12 upon a person who was 17 years of age or younger at the time of
13 the commission of the offense.

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