

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 16

Session of  
2003

INTRODUCED BY HELFRICK, KUKOVICH, KITCHEN, HUGHES, FUMO, COSTA  
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, further providing for the  
3 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(e) of Title 42 of the Pennsylvania  
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a paragraph to read:

8 § 9711. Sentencing procedure for murder of the first degree.

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10 (e) Mitigating circumstances.--Mitigating circumstances  
11 shall include the following:

12 \* \* \*

13 (9) The wishes of the victim's surviving spouse, adult  
14 child or parent that the sentence of death not be imposed.

15 \* \* \*

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