## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## SENATE BILL

No. 181

Session of 2005

INTRODUCED BY CORMAN, THOMPSON, EARLL, RHOADES, WONDERLING, KASUNIC, TARTAGLIONE, KITCHEN, PILEGGI, GREENLEAF, MUSTO, O'PAKE, COSTA, VANCE, ERICKSON, D. WHITE, GORDNER, STACK, ORIE, ARMSTRONG, ROBBINS, WAUGH, BOSCOLA AND C. WILLIAMS, FEBRUARY 7, 2005

REFERRED TO RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, FEBRUARY 7, 2005

## AN ACT

Amending the act of December 10, 1968 (P.L.1158, No.365), entitled "An act creating and establishing the Legislative 2 3 Data Processing Committee: providing for its membership; prescribing its powers, functions and duties; and making an 4 5 appropriation, " directing the committee to provide limited public access to statutes in computer information systems. 7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: Section 1. Section 2(1.2) of the act of December 10, 1968 9 10 (P.L.1158, No.365), entitled "An act creating and establishing 11 the Legislative Data Processing Committee: providing for its membership; prescribing its powers, functions and duties; and 12 13 making an appropriation, amended May 7, 1998 (P.L.352, No.55), 14 is amended to read: 15 Section 2. The committee shall have the following powers and 16 duties: 17 Notwithstanding paragraph (1.1), to [provide]: 18

- 1 (i) Provide access to information relating to bills,
- 2 legislative histories and session calendars to the Governor's
- 3 Office, the Office of Attorney General, the Auditor General, the
- 4 State Treasurer, the heads of other departments and such other
- 5 offices within State government as the committee, with the
- 6 approval of the Senate Committee on Management Operations and
- 7 the Bi-partisan Management Committee of the House of
- 8 Representatives, shall determine.
- 9 (ii) Provide access to the public for the limited purposes
- 10 of displaying, copying or searching the statutes of the
- 11 <u>Commonwealth of Pennsylvania residing in computer information</u>
- 12 systems.
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- 14 Section 2. Public access to the statutes of the Commonwealth
- 15 of Pennsylvania shall be available on and after January 1, 2006.
- 16 Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.