

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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JULY 1, 2009

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LABOR RELATIONS, JULY 1, 2009

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of July 23, 1970 (P.L.563, No.195), entitled
2 "An act establishing rights in public employes to organize
3 and bargain collectively through selected representatives;
4 defining public employes to include employes of nonprofit
5 organizations and institutions; providing compulsory
6 mediation and fact-finding, for collective bargaining
7 impasses; providing arbitration for certain public employes
8 for collective bargaining impasses; defining the scope of
9 collective bargaining; establishing unfair employe and
10 employer practices; prohibiting strikes for certain public
11 employes; permitting strikes under limited conditions;
12 providing penalties for violations; and establishing
13 procedures for implementation," further providing for final
14 binding arbitration in certain cases.

15 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
16 hereby enacts as follows:

17 Section 1. Section 805 of the act of July 23, 1970 (P.L.563,
18 No.195), known as the Public Employe Relations Act, is amended
19 to read:

20 Section 805. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this
21 act where representatives of units of guards at prisons or
22 mental hospitals or transit police officers employed by the
23 Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority (SEPTA) or

1 units of employes directly involved with and necessary to the
2 functioning of the courts of this Commonwealth have reached an
3 impasse in collective bargaining and mediation as required in
4 section 801 of this article has not resolved the dispute, the
5 impasse shall be submitted to a panel of arbitrators whose
6 decision shall be final and binding upon both parties with the
7 proviso that the decisions of the arbitrators which would
8 require legislative enactment to be effective shall be
9 considered advisory only.

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