THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 397

Session of 2009

INTRODUCED BY LEACH, WASHINGTON, STOUT, ERICKSON, ALLOWAY, WOZNIAK, VANCE, KITCHEN, O'PAKE, STACK, EARLL, FOLMER AND TARTAGLIONE, FEBRUARY 20, 2009

REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, FEBRUARY 20, 2009

AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania
- 2 Consolidated Statutes, providing for duration of child
- 3 support payments.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Title 23 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
- 7 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:
- 8 § 4328. Duration of child support payments.
- 9 (a) General rule. -- Unless expressly provided in an order of
- 10 <u>support</u>, provisions in the order for the support of a child
- 11 shall terminate by emancipation or attainment of majority of the
- 12 child but not by the death of a parent obligated to support the
- 13 child.
- 14 (b) Death of obligee parent. -- When a parent obligated to pay
- 15 support dies, the amount of support may be modified, revoked or
- 16 commuted to a lump sum payment, to the extent just and
- 17 appropriate in the circumstances.
- 18 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.