
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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2013

INTRODUCED BY O'NEILL, D. COSTA, HESS, HARHART, MUNDY, KORTZ,
READSHAW, EVERETT, DELUCA, MILLER, MILNE, MURT AND FARRY,
JANUARY 23, 2013

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, JANUARY 23, 2013

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for contraband.

3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
4 hereby enacts as follows:

5 Section 1. The heading of Subchapter B of Chapter 51 of
6 Title 18 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended to
7 read:

8 SUBCHAPTER B

9 ESCAPE AND CONTRABAND

10 Section 2. Section 5123(c) of Title 18 is amended to read:
11 § 5123. Contraband.

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13 (c) Contraband other than controlled substance.--A person
14 commits a misdemeanor of the first degree if he sells, gives or
15 furnishes to any convict in a prison, or inmate in a mental
16 hospital, or gives away in or brings into any prison, mental
17 hospital, or any building appurtenant thereto, or on the land

1 granted to or owned or leased by the Commonwealth or county for
2 the use and benefit of the prisoners or inmates, or puts in any
3 place where it may be secured by a convict of a prison, inmate
4 of a mental hospital, or employee thereof, any of the following:

5 (1) Any kind of spirituous or fermented liquor, medicine
6 or poison (except the ordinary hospital supply of the prison
7 or mental hospital) without a written permit signed by the
8 physician of such institution, specifying the quantity and
9 quality of the substance which may be furnished to any
10 convict, inmate or employee in the prison or mental hospital,
11 the name of the prisoner, inmate or employee for whom, and
12 the time when the same may be furnished, which permit shall
13 be delivered to and kept by the warden or superintendent of
14 the prison or mental hospital.

15 (2) Any item designated by the Secretary of Corrections
16 or the facility manager as a prohibited item.

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18 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.