THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, FEBRUARY 11, 2015

AN ACT

Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in sentencing, providing for a mandatory period of probation for certain sexual offenders. 4 5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: 6 7 Section 1. Title 42 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated 8 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read: § 9718.5. Mandatory period of probation for certain sexual 10 offenders. 11 (a) Mandatory probation supervision after release from 12 confinement. -- A person who is convicted in a court of this 13 Commonwealth of an offense under section 9799.14(d) (relating to 14 sexual offenses and tier system) shall be sentenced to a mandatory period of probation of three years consecutive to and 15 in addition to any other lawful sentence issued by the court. 16

(b) Imposition. -- The court may impose the term of probation

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- 1 required under subsection (a) in addition to the maximum
- 2 sentence permitted for the offense for which the defendant was
- 3 convicted.
- 4 (c) Authority of court in sentencing. -- There shall be no
- 5 <u>authority in a court to impose on an offender to which this</u>
- 6 <u>section is applicable a lesser period of probation than provided</u>
- 7 for under subsection (a). Sentencing quidelines promulgated by
- 8 the Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing shall not supersede
- 9 the mandatory period of probation provided under this section.
- 10 (d) Direct supervision. -- Nothing under this section shall
- 11 <u>limit the court's authority to direct supervision by the</u>
- 12 Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole by special order as
- 13 provided under 61 Pa.C.S. § 6133(a) (relating to probation
- 14 <u>services</u>).
- 15 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.