
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 783 Session of
2017

INTRODUCED BY WARD, MARTIN, BARTOLOTTA AND MENSCH, JUNE 19, 2017

REFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION, JUNE 19, 2017

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, in licensing of drivers, further providing for
3 reports on mental and physical disabilities or disorders and
4 for determination of incompetency.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Sections 1518(b) and (d) and 1519(b) of Title 75
8 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read:

9 § 1518. Reports on mental or physical disabilities or
10 disorders.

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12 (b) Reports by health care personnel.--All physicians,
13 podiatrists, chiropractors, physician assistants, certified
14 registered nurse practitioners and other persons authorized to
15 diagnose or treat disorders and disabilities defined by the
16 Medical Advisory Board shall report to the department, in
17 writing, the full name, date of birth and address of every
18 person over 15 years of age diagnosed as having any specified
19 disorder or disability within ten days of making the diagnosis.

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2 (d) [Confidentiality of reports.--The reports required by
3 this section shall be confidential and shall be used solely for
4 the purpose of determining the qualifications of any person to
5 drive a motor vehicle on the highways of this Commonwealth.]
6 Request for report.--A report required by this section may be
7 requested by the person about whom the report has been
8 submitted. The department shall provide the report within 20
9 days of the request.

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11 § 1519. Determination of incompetency.

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13 (b) Confidentiality of reports and evidence.--Reports
14 received by the department for the purpose of assisting the
15 department in determining whether a person is qualified to be
16 licensed and reports of examinations authorized under this
17 subchapter are for the confidential use of the department and
18 may not be divulged to any person, other than the person about
19 whom the report has been made, or used as evidence in any trial
20 except that the reports and statistics and evaluations used by
21 the department in determining whether a person should be
22 required to be examined under this subchapter shall be admitted
23 in proceedings under section 1550 (relating to judicial review).

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