

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 516 Session of 2021

INTRODUCED BY BROWNE, MARTIN, MENSCH, STEFANO AND LANGERHOLC, APRIL 1, 2021

SENATOR BAKER, JUDICIARY, AS AMENDED, MAY 25, 2021

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the
2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in sentencing, further
3 providing for payment of court costs, restitution and fines.

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

6 Section 1. Section 9730(b)(4) of Title 42 of the
7 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended and subsection (b)
8 is amended by adding a paragraph to read:

9 § 9730. Payment of court costs, restitution and fines.

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11 (b) Procedures regarding default.--

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13 (2.1) If the issuing authority, senior judge or senior
14 magisterial district judge schedules a financial
15 determination hearing for the defendant and provides notice
16 to a defendant of the hearing, but the defendant fails to
17 appear at the financial determination hearing, the issuing
18 authority, senior judge or senior magisterial district judge

1 may turn the delinquent account over to a private collection
2 agency OR THE COUNTY'S COLLECTION ENFORCEMENT UNIT AS SET <--
3 FORTH UNDER SECTION 9728 (RELATING TO COLLECTION OF
4 RESTITUTION, REPARATION, FEES, COSTS, FINES AND PENALTIES),
5 as provided by law.

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7 (4) A decision of the issuing authority, senior judge or
8 senior magisterial district judge under paragraph (2), (2.1)
9 or (3) is subject to section 5105 (relating to right to
10 appellate review).

11 Section 2. This act shall take effect in ~~60~~ 120 days. <--