
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY BAKER, MENSCH, STEFANO, PHILLIPS-HILL, MARTIN,
MUTH, SANTARSIERO, COLLETT, BARTOLOTTA, KANE, SCHWANK AND
COSTA, OCTOBER 14, 2021

REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, OCTOBER 14, 2021

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the
2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in other criminal
3 provisions, further providing for definitions and providing
4 for meetings.

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

7 Section 1. Section 9911 of Title 42 of the Pennsylvania
8 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding definitions to read:
9 § 9911. Definitions.

10 The following words and phrases when used in this subchapter
11 shall have the meanings given in this section unless the context
12 clearly indicates otherwise:

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14 "Probation officer." As defined in section 6304 (relating to
15 powers and duties of probation officers).

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17 "Technology portal." A device, including a cellular phone
18 and other electronic device, that allows simultaneous voice and

1 video communication in real time between the offender and the
2 probation officer.

3 Section 2. Title 42 is amended by adding a section to read:
4 § 9914. Meetings.

5 Notwithstanding section 6.1(h)(5) of the act of November 22,
6 1978 (P.L.1166, No.274), referred to as the Pennsylvania
7 Commission on Crime and Delinquency Law, in lieu of requiring an
8 offender who has been released on probation to appear in person
9 at a meeting, a probation officer may utilize technology
10 portals.

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