THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED BY NEILSON, O'BRIEN, MILLARD, GODSHALL, BARBIN, D. COSTA, DRISCOLL, McNEILL, CALTAGIRONE, READSHAW, COX AND FARRY, FEBRUARY 3, 2017

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AN ACT

Amending Title 61 (Prisons and Parole) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Pennsylvania Board of Probation and 2 Parole, further providing for parole power. 3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 4 5 hereby enacts as follows: Section 1. Section 6137 of Title 61 of the Pennsylvania 6 7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subsection to read: 8 § 6137. Parole power. * * * 9 10 (a.1) Electronic monitoring devices.--11 (1) The board may not release a person on parole who, as a term or condition of the person's parole, is subject to an 12 electronic monitoring device, unless a telephone landline 13 14 exists and is in operating condition at the dwelling where 15 the eligible offender will reside and the telephone landline will permit the electronic monitoring device to function 16 17 properly.

(2) After a person to whom paragraph (1) applies is

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- 1 <u>released from a correctional institution or county prison, a</u>
- 2 parole officer shall escort the person from the correctional
- 3 <u>institution or county prison to a parole office where an</u>
- 4 <u>electronic monitoring device shall be placed on the person.</u>
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- 6 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.