

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, FEBRUARY 26, 2021

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AN ACT

1 Amending the act of December 12, 1986 (P.L.1559, No.169),  
2 entitled "An act providing protection for employees who  
3 report a violation or suspected violation of State, local or  
4 Federal law; providing protection for employees who  
5 participate in hearings, investigations, legislative  
6 inquiries or court actions; and prescribing remedies and  
7 penalties," further providing for definitions.

8 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
9 hereby enacts as follows:

10 Section 1. The definition of "public body" in section 2 of  
11 the act of December 12, 1986 (P.L.1559, No.169), known as the  
12 Whistleblower Law, is amended by adding a paragraph to read:

13 Section 2. Definitions.

14 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall  
15 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the  
16 context clearly indicates otherwise:

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18 "Public body." All of the following:

19 \* \* \*

1                   (2.1) The Supreme Court, Superior Court, Commonwealth  
2                   Court, court of common pleas, minor judiciary or other body  
3                   in the judicial branch of State government.

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