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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE BILL

No. 859 Session of  
2013

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INTRODUCED BY D. COSTA, ROZZI, KOTIK, MILLARD, STEPHENS,  
HARKINS, BIZZARRO, C. HARRIS, DEASY, MAHONEY, DeLUCA,  
FABRIZIO, READSHAW, BARRAR, PASHINSKI, KORTZ, MOUL, MILNE,  
GILLEN, HESS, EVERETT AND MATZIE, MARCH 11, 2013

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, MARCH 11, 2013

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 61 (Prisons and Parole) of the Pennsylvania  
2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for parole power.

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

5 Section 1. Section 6137(a) of Title 61 of the Pennsylvania  
6 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a paragraph to read:

7 § 6137. Parole power.

8 (a) General criteria for parole.--

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10 (6) An inmate who is convicted of a crime of violence as  
11 defined in 42 Pa.C.S. § 9714(g) (relating to sentences for  
12 second and subsequent offenses) may not be granted parole to  
13 a group-based housing facility until he has served his  
14 minimum sentence in prison.

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