
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 191 Session of
2015

INTRODUCED BY TEPLITZ, COSTA, BREWSTER, SMITH, RAFFERTY AND
WILLIAMS, FEBRUARY 12, 2015

REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, FEBRUARY 12, 2015

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in bribery and corrupt influence,
3 further providing for the offense of bribery in official and
4 political matters and providing for the offense of acceding
5 to corruption.

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

8 Section 1. Section 4701 of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania
9 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subsection to read:

10 § 4701. Bribery in official and political matters.

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12 (a.1) Additional offense defined.--The Governor or a person
13 acting on behalf of the Governor is guilty of bribery, a felony
14 of the third degree, if he offers or promises to confer upon a
15 member of the General Assembly or a person within the member's
16 immediate family a specified appointed position in exchange for
17 the member's official vote on a matter before a house, committee
18 or subcommittee of the General Assembly.

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1 Section 2. Title 18 is amended by adding a section to read:

2 § 4701.1. Acceding to corruption.

3 A member of the General Assembly who accepts an offer or
4 promise of an appointment for himself or a member of his
5 immediate family to a specified position from the Governor or a
6 person acting on behalf of the Governor in exchange for the
7 member's official vote on a matter before a house, committee or
8 subcommittee of the General Assembly is guilty of a felony of
9 the third degree.

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