
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

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SCHWANK AND BOSCOLA, APRIL 8, 2013

REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, APRIL 8, 2013

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the
2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for
3 statutes of limitations for certain offenses.

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

6 Section 1. Section 5551 of Title 42 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

8 § 5551. No limitation applicable.

9 A prosecution for the following offenses may be commenced at
10 any time:

11 (1) Murder.

12 (2) Voluntary manslaughter.

13 (3) Conspiracy to commit murder or solicitation to
14 commit murder if a murder results from the conspiracy or
15 solicitation.

16 (4) Any felony alleged to have been perpetrated in
17 connection with a murder of the first or second degree, as
18 set forth in 18 Pa.C.S. § 2502(a) or (b) and (d) (relating to

1 murder).

2 (5) A violation of 75 Pa.C.S. § 3742 (relating to
3 accidents involving death or personal injury) [or] 3732
4 (relating to homicide by vehicle) or 3735 (relating to
5 homicide by vehicle while driving under influence) if the
6 accused was the driver of a vehicle involved in an accident
7 resulting in the death of any person.

8 (6) A violation of 18 Pa.C.S. § 2702(a)(1), (2), (4) or
9 (7) (relating to aggravated assault) if the accused knew the
10 victim was a law enforcement officer and the law enforcement
11 officer was acting within the scope of the officer's duties.

12 Section 2. The amendment of 42 Pa.C.S. § 5551(5) shall apply
13 to offenses as to which the applicable period of limitations has
14 not expired on the effective date of this section.

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