
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY SCAVELLO, FARNESE, LEACH, GORDNER, TARTAGLIONE,
WARD, RESCHENTHALER, RAFFERTY, VULAKOVICH, SCHWANK, STEFANO
AND FONTANA, MARCH 10, 2017

REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, MARCH 10, 2017

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in burglary and other criminal
3 intrusion, further providing for the offense of criminal
4 trespass.

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

7 Section 1. Section 3503(d) of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania
8 Consolidated Statutes is amended and the section is amended by
9 adding a subsection to read:

10 § 3503. Criminal trespass.

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12 (b.4) Evaluation for gambling disorder.--

13 (1) Upon conviction or admission to Accelerated
14 Rehabilitative Disposition or other pretrial diversion
15 program of a person for an offense committed under subsection
16 (b), where the person's name is included on a self-exclusion
17 list and the offense was committed at a licensed facility,
18 the court may direct that the person be evaluated in a manner

1 deemed appropriate by the court to determine:

2 (i) if the person has a gambling disorder; and

3 (ii) whether there is a need for counseling or
4 treatment as part of the sentence or preadjudication
5 disposition.

6 (2) The evaluation shall be conducted by a single county
7 authority for drug and alcohol or its designee and shall
8 include recommendations for levels of care, continuing care
9 and monitoring.

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11 (d) [Definition] Definitions.--As used in this section, the
12 [term "school grounds" means any] following words and phrases
13 shall have the meanings given to them in this subsection:

14 "Evaluation." An assessment performed by a clinician who
15 meets the minimum qualifications prescribed by the Department of
16 Drug and Alcohol Programs for the provision of gambling disorder
17 counseling.

18 "Licensed facility." As defined in 4 Pa.C.S. § 1103
19 (relating to definitions).

20 "Licensed gaming entity." As defined in 4 Pa.C.S. § 1103.

21 "School grounds." Any building of or grounds of any
22 elementary or secondary publicly funded educational institution,
23 any elementary or secondary private school licensed by the
24 Department of Education, any elementary or secondary parochial
25 school, any certified day-care center or any licensed preschool
26 program.

27 "Self-exclusion list." The list established and maintained
28 by the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board under 4 Pa.C.S. § 1516
29 (relating to list of persons self excluded from gaming
30 activities) or a self-exclusion list maintained by a licensed

1 gaming entity which meets the minimum criteria stated in 4

2 Pa.C.S. § 1516.

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