THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 809

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, MARCH 10, 1999

AN ACT

1 2 3 4	Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for sentence of partial confinement and for sentence of total confinement.
5	The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
6	hereby enacts as follows:
7	Section 1. Section 9755 of Title 42 of the Pennsylvania
8	Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subsection to read:
9	§ 9755. Sentence of partial confinement.
10	* * *
11	(h) Prohibition of parole with an intermediate punishment
12	sentence The court may impose a sentence of imprisonment
13	without the right to parole under this subsection only when:
14	(1) sentence is imposed pursuant to section 9763
15	(relating to sentence of intermediate punishment) in which
16	case the sentence shall specify the number of days of partial
17	confinement to be served; and
18	(2) the maximum sentence of partial confinement imposed

- on one or more indictments to run consecutively or
- 2 concurrently total 90 days or less.
- 3 Section 2. Section 9756(c) of Title 42 is amended and the
- 4 section is amended by adding a subsection to read:
- 5 § 9756. Sentence of total confinement.
- 6 * * *
- 7 (c) Prohibition of parole for summary offenses. -- [Except in
- 8 the case of murder of the first degree, the] The court may
- 9 impose a sentence to imprisonment without the right to parole
- 10 under this subsection only when:
- 11 (1) a summary offense is charged;
- 12 (2) sentence is imposed for nonpayment of fines or
- costs, or both, in which case the sentence shall specify the
- 14 number of days to be served; and
- 15 (3) the maximum term or terms of imprisonment imposed on
- one or more indictments to run consecutively or concurrently
- 17 total less than 30 days.
- 18 * * *
- 19 (c.1) Prohibition of parole with intermediate punishment
- 20 sentences. -- The court may impose a sentence of imprisonment
- 21 without the right to parole under this subsection only when:
- 22 (1) sentence is imposed pursuant to section 9763
- (relating to sentence of intermediate punishment) in which
- 24 case the sentence shall specify the number of days of total
- 25 confinement also to be served; and
- 26 (2) the maximum sentence of total confinement imposed on
- one or more indictments to run consecutively or concurrently
- total 90 days or less.
- 29 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 90 days.

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BILL SUMMARY

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A. PRELIMINARY SUMMARY:

House Bill 809 amends Title 42 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes to further provide for sentences of partial and total confinement.

Specifically, 42 Pa.C.S. §§ 9755 (relating to sentence of partial confinement) and 9756 (relating to sentence of total confinement) are amended to provide that the court may impose a sentence of imprisonment without the right to parole under these sections only when an offender is sentenced to intermediate punishment under 42 Pa.C.S. § 9763 (relating to sentence of intermediate punishment). This sentence shall specify the number of days of partial or total confinement to be served and the maximum sentence of partial or total confinement imposed on one or more indictments to run consecutively or concurrently when they total 90 days or less.

This act shall take effect in 90 days.

B. EXISTING LAW:

Sentencing judges do not currently have the authority to sentence an offender to both jail time and intermediate punishment. Rather, judges are left with an either/or proposition under 42 Pa.C.S. §§ 9755, 9756 and 9763.

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