



|| SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA
|| BILL SUMMARY

House Bill 73
Printer's No. 64

Prime Sponsor: Representative Farry
Committee: Judiciary

SYNOPSIS:

This bill amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) to require providers of counseling services to sexually violent predators to notify the district attorney of the county and the chief law enforcement officer of the municipality of their location and the fact that the provider is counseling sexually violent predators.

SUMMARY:

This bill amends the Sexual Offender Registration and Notification Act to add a new Section 9799.36 to Title 42. The Act currently requires every sexually violent predator to receive at least monthly counseling sessions. The new section would require a provider of counseling services to notify the district attorney of the county and the chief law enforcement officer of the municipality where the provider is located that the provider is counseling sexually violent predators. Sexually violent predators are a relatively small subset of sex offenders, and this bill only requires notification by counselors of sexually violent predators.

Notifications would be required in writing by January 15 of each year. The notifications must list the address of the provider.

Effective Date: This act would take effect in sixty days.

BILL HISTORY:

The House of Representatives unanimously passed this bill without amendment on March 2, 2015.

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