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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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**SENATE BILL**

**No. 544**                      Session of  
1961

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INTRODUCED BY MESSRS. McMENAMIN, WEINER AND  
DEVLIN, APRIL 18, 1961.

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY GENERAL,  
APRIL 18, 1961.

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**AN ACT**

Providing for the appointment of a disinterested real estate expert in all  
proceedings arising from the exercise of eminent domain

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
hereby enacts as follows

- 1        Section 1 In all proceedings before the court of common pleas
- 2        which are the result of an appeal from a board of viewers or which are
- 3        the result of a waiver of the right to have the damages assessed by a
- 4        board of viewers which proceedings arise from the exercise of the right

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EXPLANATION—CAPITAL LETTERS indicate new matter added to bill. Matter stricken through  
is to be omitted from bill.  
Underlining indicates new matter added to existing law. [Brackets] indicate matter  
stricken from existing law.

1 of eminent domain the court shall appoint a disinterested real estate  
2 expert who shall testify as to his opinion of the market value of the  
3 condemned property This expert shall file a report with the court which  
4 shall be available to all parties at least fifteen days before trial in which  
5 he shall set forth the prices he has determined upon and in general the  
6 facts upon which this opinion was based The costs incurred under this  
7 section shall be assessed equally to the parties to the proceedings as  
8 determined by the court

9 Section 2 This act shall take effect immediately

We certify that this bill has passed the Senate and the House of  
Representatives.

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Chief Clerk, Senate

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President pro tempore, Senate

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Speaker, House of Representatives

Approved The ..... day of ..... A. D. 1961.

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Governor