

No. 343

AN ACT

HB 636

Amending the act of August 24, 1963 (P.L.1175), entitled "An act to codify, amend, revise and consolidate the laws relating to mechanics' liens," excluding time consumed by motions, and petitions, by parties other than plaintiffs, and the disposition thereof, and the time consumed in appeals from the time within which verdict or final judgment must be entered.

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

Section 1. Subsection (d) of section 701, act of August 24, 1963 (P.L.1175), known as the "Mechanics' Lien Law of 1963," is amended to read:

Section 701. Procedure to Obtain Judgment.—

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(d) Limitation on Time of Obtaining Judgment. A verdict must be recovered or judgment entered within five (5) years from the date of filing of the claim. Final judgment must be entered on a verdict within five (5) years. If a claim is not prosecuted to verdict or judgment, as provided above, the claim shall be wholly lost: *Provided, however, That in either case, if a complaint has been or shall be filed in the cause and if the cause has been or shall be at issue, all time theretofore or thereafter consumed in the presentation and disposition of all motions and petitions of defendants, substituted defendants and intervenors in the cause, and in any appeal or appeals from any order in the cause, from the date of perfection of such appeal to the date of return of the certiorari from the appellate court to the court of common pleas, shall be excluded in the computation of the five (5) year period herein provided.*

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Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to all mechanics' lien causes pending at the time of its enactment.

APPROVED—The 28th day of December, A. D. 1972.

MILTON J. SHAPP

The foregoing is a true and correct copy of Act of the General Assembly No. 343.



Secretary of the Commonwealth.