

No. 89

## AN ACT

HB 1533

Amending Title 1 (General Provisions) of the Consolidated Pennsylvania Statutes, changing provisions on bills to amend the Consolidated Statutes, conferring additional powers and duties upon the Legislative Reference Bureau, and providing for the effect of statutes that do not conform to requirements on format.

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

Section 1. Section 306 of Title 1, act of November 25, 1970 (P.L. 707, No. 230), known as the Consolidated Pennsylvania Statutes, is amended to read:

§ 306. Bills to amend the Consolidated Statutes.

(a) Bills to amend this act shall be drafted to conform with the structure of the Consolidated Pennsylvania Statutes, as provided in this chapter.

**(b) *The Legislative Reference Bureau shall insure that all bills to amend this act conform with the requirement of subsection (a) of this section and other requirements established by the bureau pursuant to this section. Agencies and persons submitting requests for bills to amend this act shall allow the bureau sufficient time to make the necessary review and revision prior to final drafting of the bill by the bureau and shall, upon request or pursuant to requirements established by the bureau, submit copies or information for preparation of tables of contents, source notes and parallel tables for the use or information of the bureau, the General Assembly, governmental agencies and the public.***

**(c) *In drafting bills requested by members of the General Assembly or other duly authorized agencies and persons, the bureau shall determine whether the bill shall be drafted in the form of an amendment to this act or in the form of an original enactment or amendment to another statute and shall draft the bill according to such determination. The bureau shall also determine whether the number or name of a title established under this act shall be changed and whether titles shall be added or deleted. This subsection shall not authorize the bureau to refuse to draft a bill in a manner expressly insisted upon by a member of the General Assembly nor shall it be construed as prohibiting the enactment of a law the form of which is contrary to the determination or advice of the bureau.***

**(d) *The Director of the Legislative Reference Bureau may adopt and enforce rules, regulations, instructions and forms to carry out the powers and duties of the bureau under this act or other statute and the***

*bureau may, from time to time, upon its own initiative, draft amendments to this act for consideration by the General Assembly.*

*(e) No law or any part thereof shall be invalid because it is not enacted in conformity with this title or requirements established pursuant to this section.*

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 10th day of May, A. D. 1974.

MILTON J. SHAPP

The foregoing is a true and correct copy of Act of the General Assembly No. 89.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "C. McLaughlin Tucker". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "C" and a prominent "T" at the end.

*Secretary of the Commonwealth.*