

LAWS OF PENNSYLVANIA,

No. 345

AN ACT

Amending the act of April 23, 1956 (P. L. 1510), entitled, as amended, "An act providing for the prevention and control of communicable and non-communicable diseases including venereal diseases, fixing responsibility for disease prevention and control, requiring reports of diseases, and authorizing treatment of venereal diseases, and providing for premarital and prenatal blood tests; amending, revising and consolidating the laws relating thereto; and repealing certain acts," allowing the court appointed physicians and physicians of penal institutions to make examinations for venereal disease.

Disease Preven-
tion and Control
Law of 1955.

Section 8, act of
April 23, 1956,
P. L. 1510,
amended.

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

Section 1. Section 8, act of April 23, 1956 (P. L. 1510), known as the "Disease Prevention and Control Law of 1955," is amended to read:

Section 8. Venereal Disease.—

(a) Any person taken into custody and charged with any crime involving lewd conduct or a sex offense, or any person to whom the jurisdiction of a juvenile court attaches, may be examined for a *venereal disease by a qualified physician appointed by the department or by the local board or department of health *or appointed by the court having jurisdiction over the person so charged.*

(b) Any person convicted of a crime or pending trial, who is confined in or committed to any State or local penal institution, reformatory or any other house of correction or detention, may be examined for venereal disease by a qualified physician appointed by the department or by the local board or department of health *or by the attending physician of the institution, if any.*

(c) Any such persons noted in paragraph (a) or (b) of this section found, upon such examination, to be infected with any venereal disease shall be given appropriate treatment by duly constituted health authorities or their deputies or by the attending physician of the institution, if any.

Act effective
immediately.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

* "venereal" in original.

APPROVED—The 11th day of September, A. D. 1959.

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