

No. 273

## AN ACT

HB 1655

Amending the act of August 13, 1963 (P.L.774, No.390), entitled "An act authorizing courts to permit certain prisoners to leave jail during reasonable and necessary hours for occupational, scholastic or medical purposes; conferring powers and imposing duties upon courts, county commissioners and sheriffs and other persons in charge of a jail or workhouse," further authorizing temporary release from prison.

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

Section 1. Section 1, act of August 13, 1963 (P.L.774, No.390), entitled "An act authorizing courts to permit certain prisoners to leave jail during reasonable and necessary hours for occupational, scholastic or medical purposes; conferring powers and imposing duties upon courts, county commissioners and sheriffs and other persons in charge of a jail or workhouse," amended November 26, 1968 (P.L.1103, No.344), is amended to read:

Section 1. Whenever any person has been sentenced to undergo imprisonment in a county jail or workhouse, hereafter referred to as a jail, for a term of less than five years the court, at the time of sentence or at any time thereafter upon application made therefor, may by order direct the sheriff, prison keeper, jail keeper, warden or other administrative head of a jail to permit the prisoner to leave the jail during necessary and reasonable hours for the purpose of working at his employment, conducting his own business or other self-employed occupation, including in the case of a woman housekeeping and attending to the needs of her family, seeking employment, attendance at an educational institution, [or] securing medical treatment *or such other lawful purposes as the court shall consider necessary and appropriate*. The order of court may be rescinded or modified at any time with or without notice to the prisoner.

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

MILTON J. SHAPP

The foregoing is a true and correct copy of Act of the General Assembly No. 273.



Secretary of the Commonwealth.