
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1486 Session of
2025

INTRODUCED BY DAWKINS, GIRAL, PIELLI, HILL-EVANS, WEBSTER,
MADDEN, SANCHEZ, CEPEDA-FREYTIZ, D. WILLIAMS, SHUSTERMAN,
KENYATTA AND GREEN, MAY 16, 2025

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, MAY 21, 2025

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the
2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in bonds and
3 recognizances, providing for bail in illegal firearm offenses
4 in city of the first class.

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

7 Section 1. Title 42 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
8 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

9 § 5762. Bail in illegal firearm offenses in city of the first
10 class.

11 A defendant who has been charged with possession of an
12 illegal firearm or for committing an offense with an illegal
13 firearm under 18 Pa.C.S. Ch. 61 (relating to firearms and other
14 dangerous articles) in a city of the first class and has been
15 granted bail may obtain the defendant's release from custody by
16 posting bail as follows:

17 (1) For a first offense, a sum equal to 10% of the full
18 amount of the bail.

1 (2) For a second offense, a sum equal to 50% of the full
2 amount of the bail.

3 (3) For a third or subsequent offense, a sum equal to
4 100% of the full amount of the bail.

5 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.