



SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA BILL SUMMARY

House Bill 203 Printer's No. 171

Prime Sponsor: Representative Longietti
Committee: Judiciary

SYNOPSIS:

Amends Title 20 (Decedents, Estates and Fiduciaries) to increase the permitted amount of a decedent's wages that may be paid by an employer directly to the decedent's family.

SUMMARY:

Under current law, the employer of a person who dies in Pennsylvania may, regardless of whether a personal representative has been appointed, pay wages, salary, or benefits that were due to the deceased employee in an amount not exceeding \$5,000 directly to the spouse, any child, the father or mother, or any sibling of the deceased employee. This bill increases the cap on such payments from \$5,000 to \$10,000.

EFFECTIVE DATE:

This bill is effective in 60 days.

BILL HISTORY:

Passed the House on April 3, 2017 by a vote of 193-0.

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