

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 831 Session of
2003

INTRODUCED BY MAITLAND, McNAUGHTON, LEACH, CAPPELLI, HALUSKA,
HARHART, HORSEY, JAMES, MARKOSEK, ROBERTS, SHANER, STERN AND
TURZAI, MARCH 11, 2003

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, MARCH 11, 2003

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for alimony pendente
3 lite, counsel fees and expenses.

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

6 Section 1. Section 3702 of Title 23 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

8 § 3702. Alimony pendente lite, counsel fees and expenses.

9 (a) General rule.--In proper cases, upon petition, the court
10 may allow a spouse reasonable alimony pendente lite, spousal
11 support and reasonable counsel fees and expenses. Reasonable
12 counsel fees and expenses may be allowed pendente lite, and the
13 court shall also have authority to direct that adequate health
14 and hospitalization insurance coverage be maintained for the
15 dependent spouse pendente lite.

16 (b) Effect of remarriage.--An obligation to pay alimony
17 pendente lite shall cease upon the remarriage of the party
18 receiving alimony pendente lite, provided, however, that any

1 amount of alimony pendente lite in arrears at the time the
2 obligation ceases shall remain due and payable in accordance
3 with the prior court order or an order entered pursuant to
4 section 3703 (relating to enforcement of arrearages).

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