
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 831 Session of
2023

INTRODUCED BY DAWKINS, MADDEN, SHUSTERMAN, SANCHEZ, SAPPEY AND
PARKER, APRIL 4, 2023

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, APRIL 4, 2023

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

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

19 (2) For a second offense, a sum equal to 50% of the full

1 amount of the bail.

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

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