

## SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA BILL SUMMARY

## Senate Bill 503 Printer's No. 500

Prime Sponsor: Senator Aument Committee: State Government

SYNOPSIS:

Removes the exemption of collective bargaining from the Sunshine Act (Act).

## **SUMMARY:**

Amends the Act to require public access to meetings where public sector collective bargaining agreements are negotiated. Specifically, it amends section 708(a)(2) of the Act in order to limit the purposes for executive sessions held by an agency relating to collective bargaining agreements to that of information and strategy, not negotiation sessions.

Effective Date: 60 days.

## **BILL HISTORY:**

Referred to State Government, March 10, 2017. Similar legislation (SB643) was reported from Senate State Government Committee during the 2015-2016 legislative session.

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