

No. 2004-105

## AN ACT

HB 2441

Amending Title 54 (Names) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for surviving spouse to resume prior name.

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

Section 1. Title 54 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

**§ 704.1. *Surviving spouse may resume prior name.***

***A surviving spouse may, at any time, resume any prior surname used by him or her by filing a written notice to such effect in the office of the clerk of courts of common pleas of the county where the surviving spouse resides, accompanied by a certificate of death for the decedent.***

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

APPROVED—The 19th day of November, A.D. 2004.

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