

SENATOR FOR A DAY MOCK LEGISLATION

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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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**SENATE BILL**

NO. 5

**Session of 2026**

INTRODUCED BY \_\_\_\_\_ March 12, 2026

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REFERRED TO SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

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**Limiting Access to Cell Phones During School Hours**

An Act

An act limiting access to cell phones during school hours.

Section 1. Definitions.

(a) "Lock box." A lockable box to store cell phones and other smart devices.

Section 2. School employee or personnel will collect cell phones as students enter the building to be placed in a lock box for the day. Exemptions for students who have a documented medical condition that requires the use of a phone. Phones will be returned to students by school employee or personnel at dismissal.

Section 3. Any student caught with their cell phone will be given a verbal warning. Any student caught a second time will be suspended for the remainder of the school day,

Section 4. This act will take effect in 30 days.