

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 320

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INTRODUCED BY KERNICK, ABRAHAM, COWELL, ROMANELLI, MRKONIC,  
FLAHERTY, TRELLO AND BONETTO, FEBRUARY 10, 1975

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION, FEBRUARY 10, 1975

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of December 17, 1968 (P.L.1224, No.387),  
2 entitled "An act prohibiting unfair methods of competition  
3 and unfair or deceptive acts or practices in the conduct of  
4 any trade or commerce giving the Attorney General and  
5 District Attorneys certain powers and duties and providing  
6 penalties," providing for the recovery of certain costs for  
7 consumers affected by violations.

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

10 Section 1. The act of December 17, 1968 (P.L.1224, No.387),  
11 known as the "Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection  
12 Law," is amended by adding a section to read:

13 Section 7.1. Recovery of Costs for Consumers Affected by  
14 Violations.--Whenever a consumer obtains a judgment against any  
15 person in an action at law or in equity arising from the sale,  
16 distribution or providing of any property, article, commodity,  
17 service or thing of value, the consumer shall be entitled to  
18 recover reasonable attorneys' fees if the court finds that the  
19 transaction arose from or involved methods, acts or practices by  
20 the defendant which are prohibited by section 3 of this act.

1       Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall  
2   apply to actions instituted after the effective date of this  
3   act.