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INTRODUCED BY VROON, E. H. SMITH, FISCHER, MILLER, DAVIES AND
CORNELL, MARCH 28, 1979

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, MARCH 28, 1979

AN ACT

1 Requiring the use of safety tire racks in certain instances and
2 providing for the informing of students.

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

5 Section 1. Definition.

6 The term "entity" shall mean any sole proprietorship,
7 partnership, joint venture, corporation, association or
8 political subdivision, in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

9 Section 2. Safety requirements; split rim tires.

10 Any entity whose employees inflate, mount or dismount tires
11 shall provide a safety tire rack, cage or equivalent protection
12 which shall be used when inflating, mounting or dismounting
13 tires installed on split rims, or rims equipped with locking
14 rings or similar devices.

15 Section 3. Posting of safe practices procedure.

16 Every employer shall post and enforce a safe practices
17 procedure for inflating, mounting, or dismounting tires
18 installed on split rims, or rims equipped with locking rings or

1 similar devices. Such posted procedure shall be placed in a
2 conspicuous location which is generally frequented and occupied
3 by employees, and shall be of the type approved by the
4 Department of Labor and Industry. It shall contain, but not be
5 limited to:

6 (1) a warning that working with said tires is dangerous
7 and that only trained or experienced personnel should engage
8 in such work; and

9 (2) the procedures to be followed in mounting,
10 dismounting and inflating said tires.

11 Section 4. Employer responsibilities; training.

12 It shall be the duty of every employer whose employees engage
13 in inflating, mounting, or dismounting tires described in
14 section 2 to conduct a training program for said employees,
15 which program shall include instruction in the safe handling and
16 maintenance of said tires. Such program may be of a type
17 approved by the Department of Labor and Industry and the use
18 thereof shall establish a presumption of compliance with this
19 act. Nothing contained herein shall prohibit an employer from
20 establishing a training program other than one approved by the
21 Department of Labor and Industry which reasonably complies with
22 the provisions of this act.

23 Section 5. Promulgation of rules and regulations regarding
24 curricula.

25 The Department of Education shall promulgate rules and
26 regulations in cooperation with the Department of Labor and
27 Industry requiring all schools subject to its jurisdiction,
28 which presently offer curricula relating to motor vehicles other
29 than driver education programs, to inform all students enrolled
30 in such curricula of the dangers of working with the types of

1 tires described herein.

2 Section 6. Rules and regulations; enforcement.

3 The Department of Labor and Industry shall promulgate rules
4 and regulations to carry out the purposes of this act and shall
5 be responsible for the enforcement of the provisions of this
6 act.

7 Section 7. Penalties.

8 Any person who violates the provisions of this act or the
9 rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto shall, upon the
10 first conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of \$300. Upon
11 conviction of a second offense, such person shall be sentenced
12 to pay a fine of not less than \$1,000 nor more than \$2,500. Upon
13 conviction of a third or subsequent offense, such person shall
14 be guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree.

15 Section 8. Effective date.

16 This act shall take effect in 60 days.