

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2220 Session of
1980

INTRODUCED BY DININNI, FEBRUARY 5, 1980

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, FEBRUARY 5, 1980

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, further providing for the admissibility of certain
3 evidence.

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

6 Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 1547 of Title 75, act
7 of November 25, 1970 (P.L.707, No.230), known as the
8 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, is amended to read:

9 § 1547. Chemical test to determine amount of alcohol.

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11 (c) Test results or refusal admissible in evidence.--In any
12 summary proceeding or criminal proceeding in which the defendant
13 is charged with driving a motor vehicle while under the
14 influence of alcohol, the amount of alcohol in the defendant's
15 blood, as shown by a chemical analysis of his breath or blood,
16 which analysis was conducted with equipment of a type approved
17 by the Department of Health and operated by qualified personnel,
18 shall be admissible in evidence. The refusal to submit to a

1 chemical test may be admitted into evidence as a factor to be
2 considered in determining innocence or guilt.

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