

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

**HOUSE BILL**  
**No. 1715** Session of  
1981

INTRODUCED BY MAIALE, GEIST, PUNT AND DAWIDA, JUNE 29, 1981

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND COMMERCE, JUNE 29, 1981

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of April 6, 1951 (P.L.69, No.20), entitled "An  
2 act relating to the rights, obligations and liabilities of  
3 landlord and tenant and of parties dealing with them and  
4 amending, revising, changing and consolidating the law  
5 relating thereto," adding a lockout provision applicable to  
6 leases of furnished apartments for six months or less.

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

9 Section 1. The act of April 6, 1951 (P.L.69, No.20), known  
10 as "The Landlord and Tenant Act of 1951," is amended by adding a  
11 section to read:

12 Section 501. Lockout by Landlord.--A tenant of a furnished  
13 apartment with a lease of six (6) months or less may be locked  
14 out for nonpayment of rent. This remedy is available to the  
15 landlord when the tenant is in default or owes rent in arrears  
16 for a period exceeding sixty (60) days.

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