THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL No. 2902 Session of 1990

INTRODUCED BY MAIALE, DONATUCCI AND HOWLETT, SEPTEMBER 26, 1990

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, SEPTEMBER 26, 1990

AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
- 2 Statutes, authorizing the confiscation of vehicles involved
- 3 in drag racing in cities of the first class.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Section 3367 of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania
- 7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:
- 8 § 3367. Racing on highways.
- 9 (a) Definitions.--As used in this section the following
- 10 words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this
- 11 subsection:
- 12 "Drag race." The operation of two or more vehicles from a
- 13 point side by side at accelerating speeds in a competitive
- 14 attempt to outdistance each other, or the operation of one or
- 15 more vehicles over a common selected course, from the same point
- 16 to the same point, for the purpose of comparing the relative
- 17 speeds or power of acceleration of the vehicle or vehicles
- 18 within a certain distance or time limit.

- 1 "Race." The use of one or more vehicles in an attempt to
- 2 outgain, outdistance or prevent another vehicle from passing, to
- 3 arrive at a given destination ahead of another vehicle or
- 4 vehicles, or to test the physical stamina or endurance of
- 5 drivers over long distance driving routes.
- 6 (b) General rule. -- No person shall drive a vehicle on a
- 7 highway in any race, speed competition or contest, drag race or
- 8 acceleration contest, test of physical endurance, exhibition of
- 9 speed or acceleration, or for the purpose of making a speed
- 10 record, and no person shall in any manner participate in any
- 11 such race, competition, contest, test or exhibition.
- 12 (c) Permits for special activities. -- The department or local
- 13 authorities within their jurisdiction may issue permits for
- 14 special activities which would otherwise be prohibited by this
- 15 section.
- 16 (d) Penalty. -- Any person violating this section is guilty of
- 17 a summary offense and shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to
- 18 pay a fine of \$200.
- 19 (e) Cities of the first class. -- The governing body of a city
- 20 of the first class may, by ordinance, provide for the
- 21 confiscation of vehicles involved in violations of this section.
- 22 Such confiscation shall be in addition to any penalties imposed
- 23 under subsection (d).
- 24 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.