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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1664 Session of 2007

INTRODUCED BY CALTAGIRONE, MARSICO, DALEY, HARRIS, HERSHEY, JAMES, KORTZ, R. MILLER, MYERS, O'NEILL, PAYNE, PETRONE, PHILLIPS, REICHLEY, J. TAYLOR, WOJNAROSKI, YOUNGBLOOD, GEIST, THOMAS, SIPTROTH AND MARKOSEK, JULY 3, 2007

SENATOR GREENLEAF, JUDICIARY, IN SENATE, AS AMENDED, SEPTEMBER 17, 2008

AN ACT

Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania 1 2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for theft of leased 3 property. 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: 6 Section 1. Section 3932(b) and (c)(2) of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read: § 3932. Theft of leased property. 9 (b) Definition. -- As used in this section[, a]: 10 11 (1) A person "deals with the property as his own" if he 12 sells, secretes, destroys, converts to his own use or 13 otherwise disposes of the property. 14 (2) A "written demand to return the property is 15 delivered when it is sent SIMULTANEOUSLY by first class

mail, evidenced by a certificate of mailing, AND BY

- 1 REGISTERED OR CERTIFIED MAIL to the address provided by the
- 2 <u>lessor</u> LESSEE.

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- 3 (c) Presumption.--A person shall be prima facie presumed to
- 4 have intent if he:
- 5 * * *
- 6 (2) fails to return the property to its owner within
- 7 seven days after a written demand to return the property is
- 8 delivered [by registered or certified mail to the person's
- 9 last known address].
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- 11 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.