THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1841 Session of 2011

INTRODUCED BY TOOHIL, SIMMONS, BOBACK, ADOLPH, BAKER, BARRAR, BOYD, BROOKS, R. BROWN, BURNS, CAUSER, CUTLER, DeWEESE, DiGIROLAMO, EMRICK, EVANKOVICH, J. EVANS, EVERETT, FARRY, FLECK, FREEMAN, GABLER, GEIST, GIBBONS, GILLEN, GILLESPIE, GINGRICH, GRELL, GROVE, HAHN, HARHART, HARPER, HEFFLEY, HELM, HESS, HICKERNELL, KAUFFMAN, F. KELLER, M. K. KELLER, W. KELLER, KILLION, KNOWLES, MAHER, MAJOR, MARSHALL, METCALFE, MILLARD, MOUL, MURT, OBERLANDER, O'NEILL, PEIFER, PETRI, QUIGLEY, QUINN, RAPP, REED, REICHLEY, ROAE, ROCK, SACCONE, SAYLOR, M. SMITH, SWANGER, TALLMAN, VULAKOVICH, WATSON, WHITE, MICOZZIE, SONNEY AND CALTAGIRONE, SEPTEMBER 14, 2011

AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, FEBRUARY 14, 2012

AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania 2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for false reports to
- 3 law enforcement authorities.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Section 4906(c) of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania
- 7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a paragraph and the
- 8 section is amended by adding a subsection to read:
- 9 § 4906. False reports to law enforcement authorities.
- 10 * * *
- 11 (c) Grading.--
- 12 * * *
- 13 (3) If the violation of subsection (a) or (b) relates to

- 1 <u>a felony criminal investigation involving a minor child for</u>
- 2 whom AND the person is the child's parent, the offense shall_
- 3 be graded as a felony of the third degree.
- 4 (d) Definitions. -- As used in this section, the following
- 5 words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this
- 6 <u>subsection unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:</u>
- 7 <u>"Parent." A natural parent, stepparent, adoptive parent,</u>
- 8 guardian or custodian of a child, A PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR THE
- 9 CHILD'S WELFARE, ANY INDIVIDUAL RESIDING IN THE SAME HOME AS THE
- 10 CHILD OR A PARAMOUR OF THE CHILD'S PARENT.
- 11 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.