

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1839 Session of  
1993

INTRODUCED BY PETRONE, STURLA, NAILOR, FARGO, HENNESSEY,  
KASUNIC, SEMMEL, DALEY, FEE, GORDNER, FLICK, HERMAN, CLARK,  
GODSHALL, FAJT, McCALL, DEMPSEY, BROWN, COY, BELFANTI,  
TRELLO, ROBERTS, DeLUCA, GIGLIOTTI, LEDERER, SCHEETZ, SURRA,  
MICOZZIE, HUTCHINSON, WOGAN, SAURMAN, TIGUE, MERRY, STEELMAN,  
GEIST AND SERAFINI, JUNE 21, 1993

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND WELFARE, JUNE 21, 1993

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), entitled "An  
2 act to consolidate, editorially revise, and codify the public  
3 welfare laws of the Commonwealth," providing for verification  
4 of food stamp purchases and for penalties.

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

7 Section 1. The act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known  
8 as the Public Welfare Code, is amended by adding a section to  
9 read:

10 Section 481.1. Prevention of Food Stamp Fraud.--No seller of  
11 food shall accept food stamps from a person unless the person  
12 presents a household identification card issued by the  
13 department to verify that the food stamps were issued to the  
14 person or another member of the person's family. A person who  
15 receives food from a food seller through the use of food stamps  
16 to which the person is not legally entitled shall not thereafter  
17 be eligible for food stamps.

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