THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED BY MAINE, ITKIN, GIGLIOTTI, BISHOP, PESCI, MELIO, TRELLO, BOWLEY, MORRIS, LAUGHLIN AND CAPPABIANCA, JANUARY 22, 1990

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AN ACT

Amending the act of May 11, 1949 (P.L.1116, No.330), entitled, 2 as amended "An act to regulate deliveries of light fuel oil 3 to domestic consumers; conferring powers and imposing duties on the Department of Justice and the inspectors of weights and measures of the several counties and cities; and 5 6 prescribing penalties, " specifying information to be included 7 on delivery tickets furnished to consumers; and further 8 providing for penalties. 9 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 10 hereby enacts as follows: 11 Section 1. Section 2 of the act of May 11, 1949 (P.L.1116, 12 No.330), entitled, as amended "An act to regulate deliveries of 13 light fuel oil to domestic consumers; conferring powers and 14 imposing duties on the Department of Justice and the inspectors 15 of weights and measures of the several counties and cities; and 16 prescribing penalties, amended September 29, 1959 (P.L.992, 17 No.406), is amended to read: 18 Section 2. Meter Required. -- (a) No person shall deliver light fuel oils to any domestic consumer unless the vehicle by

which such light fuel oils are delivered is equipped with a

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- 1 meter of a type capable of furnishing a printed delivery ticket
- 2 approved under provisions of the act, approved the fifth day of
- 3 May, one thousand nine hundred twenty-one (Pamphlet Laws 389),
- 4 as amended, entitled "An act to regulate and control the
- 5 manufacture, sale, offering for sale, giving away, and use of
- 6 weights and measures and of weighing and measuring devices in
- 7 the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; providing for the approval and
- 8 disapproval of such weights, measures, and devices by the Bureau
- 9 of Standards; and prescribing penalties." Each meter-printed
- 10 <u>delivery ticket shall bear a printed nonrepetitive serial</u>
- 11 <u>number.</u> All deliveries of light fuel oil to such consumers shall
- 12 be made by the use of such a meter and a meter printed delivery
- 13 ticket rendered the customer at the time of delivery or with the
- 14 invoice. The seller or deliverer shall maintain the receipts in
- 15 <u>numerical order for two years.</u>
- 16 (b) The delivery tickets required under subsection (a) shall
- 17 be of a type approved by the Department of Agriculture and shall
- 18 include the following information:
- 19 (1) The vendor's name and address.
- 20 <u>(2) The date of delivery.</u>
- 21 (3) The purchaser's name and address.
- 22 (4) Product identification.
- 23 (5) The driver's signature or employe number.
- 24 (6) The delivering vehicle's assigned company truck number
- 25 <u>printed on the exterior surface of the vehicle.</u>
- 26 (7) The price per gallon.
- 27 (8) The volume in terms of gallons, to the nearest one-tenth
- 28 of a gallon.
- 29 Section 2. Section 5 of the act, amended December 18, 1968
- 30 (P.L.1240, No.391), is amended to read:

- 1 Section 5. Enforcement of Act, Rules and Regulations.--It
- 2 shall be the duty of the department and the inspectors of
- 3 weights and measures of the several counties and cities to
- 4 enforce the provisions of this act.
- 5 The [Attorney General] secretary shall have power to adopt
- 6 and promulgate such rules and regulations not inconsistent with
- 7 the provisions of this act as may be deemed necessary to carry
- 8 into effect the intent and purpose of this act.
- 9 Section 3. Section 6 of the act is amended to read:
- 10 Section 6. [Penalties.--Any person violating any of the
- 11 provisions of this act shall, upon summary conviction before a
- 12 magistrate, be sentenced, for the first offense, to pay a fine
- 13 of not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) nor more than
- 14 fifty dollars (\$50.00) and costs of prosecution, and, in default
- 15 of payment thereof, shall undergo imprisonment for ten (10)
- 16 days; and for the second offense, be sentenced to pay a fine of
- 17 not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) nor more than one hundred
- 18 dollars (\$100.00) and costs of prosecution, and, in default of
- 19 payment thereof, shall undergo imprisonment for twenty (20)
- 20 days; and for the third offense, shall be sentenced to pay a
- 21 fine of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) nor more
- 22 than two hundred dollars (\$200.00) and costs of prosecution,
- 23 and, in default of the payment thereof, shall undergo
- 24 imprisonment for thirty (30) days.
- 25 Any person violating any of the provisions of this act for a
- 26 fourth or subsequent offense shall be guilty of a misdemeanor,
- 27 and, upon conviction thereof, shall be sentenced to pay a fine
- 28 of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) nor more than
- 29 three hundred dollars (\$300.00), or suffer imprisonment for not
- 30 more than sixty (60) days, or both.] (a) Any person who by

- 1 himself or by his servant or agent violates any of the
- 2 provisions of this section is quilty of a summary offense when
- 3 the offense is a first, second or third offense. The sentencing
- 4 court shall order the person to pay a fine of (i) not less than
- 5 \$100, (ii) not less than \$200 if the person has previously been
- 6 convicted of an offense under this section, or (iii) not less
- 7 than \$300 if the person has twice previously been convicted of
- 8 an offense under this section.
- 9 (b) Any person who by himself or by his servant or agent
- 10 violates any of the provisions of this section is quilty of a
- 11 misdemeanor of the third degree when the offense is a fourth or
- 12 <u>subsequent offense</u>. The sentencing court shall order the person
- 13 to pay a minimum fine of \$500.
- 14 Section 4. This act shall take effect as follows:
- 15 (1) Section 1 (section 2) shall take effect in 180 days
- or upon acquisition of newly printed delivery tickets.
- 17 (2) The remainder of this act shall take effect in 90
- 18 days.