

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND COMMERCE,
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AN ACT

1 Amending the act of April 27, 1927 (P.L.465, No.299), entitled,
2 as amended, "An act to provide for the safety of persons
3 employed, housed, or assembled in certain buildings and
4 structures not in cities of the first class, second class,
5 and second class A, by requiring certain construction and
6 ways of egress, equipment, and maintenance; providing for the
7 licensing of projectionists, except in cities of the first
8 class and second class; requiring the submission of plans for
9 examination and approval; providing for the promulgation of
10 rules and regulations for the enforcement of this act;
11 providing for the enforcement of this act by the Department
12 of Labor and Industry and, in certain cases, by the chiefs of
13 fire departments in cities of the third class; providing
14 penalties for violations of the provisions of this act; and
15 repealing certain acts," requiring smoke detection devices in
16 apartment houses.

17 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
18 hereby enacts as follows:

19 Section 1. The act of April 27, 1927 (P.L.465, No.299),
20 referred to as the Fire and Panic Act, is amended by adding a
21 section to read:

22 Section 3.1. Smoke Detectors in Apartment Houses.--The owner
23 of every apartment house shall install smoke detectors in each
24 apartment hall, and stairwell in such numbers as the Department

1 of Labor and Industry shall find necessary for adequate fire
2 protection.

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