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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE BILL

No. 227 Session of  
1989

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CORRIGAN, HOWLETT, FLICK AND ARGALL, FEBRUARY 1, 1989

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AS AMENDED ON THIRD CONSIDERATION, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
APRIL 17, 1989

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania  
2 Consolidated Statutes, providing for the offense of assault  
3 on sports official; ~~and providing penalties.~~ AND FOR <—  
4 PENALTIES FOR THE OFFENSE; AND FURTHER PROVIDING FOR THE SALE  
5 OF TOBACCO.

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

8 Section 1. Title 18 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
9 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

10 § 2712. Assault on sports official.

11 (a) Offense defined.--A person who violates section 2701  
12 (relating to simple assault), where the victim is a sports  
13 official who was assaulted during a sports event or was  
14 assaulted as a result of his or her official acts as a sports  
15 official, is guilty of assault on a sports official.

1     (b) Grading.--Assault on a sports official is a misdemeanor  
2     of the first degree.

3     (c) Definitions.--As used in this section, the following  
4     words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this  
5     subsection:

6     "Sports event." Any interscholastic athletic activity in a  
7     junior high school, high school, college or university in this  
8     Commonwealth or any other organized athletic activity in this  
9     Commonwealth, including a professional or semiprofessional  
10    event.

11    "Sports official." A person at a sports event who enforces  
12    the rules of the event, such as an umpire or referee, or a  
13    person who supervises the participants, such as a coach. The  
14    term includes a trainer, team attendant, game manager and,     <—  
15    athletic director, ASSISTANT ATHLETIC DIRECTOR, PRESIDENT, DEAN,     <—  
16    HEADMASTER, PRINCIPAL AND ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF A SCHOOL,  
17    COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY.

18       SECTION 2. SECTION 6305 OF TITLE 18 IS AMENDED TO READ:     <—

19    § 6305. SALE OF TOBACCO.

20    (A) OFFENSE DEFINED.--A PERSON IS GUILTY OF A SUMMARY  
21    OFFENSE IF HE SELLS TOBACCO, IN ANY FORM, TO ANY MINOR UNDER THE  
22    AGE OF [16] 18 YEARS, OR BY PURCHASE, GIFT OR OTHER MEANS,  
23    FURNISHES TOBACCO, IN ANY FORM, TO A MINOR UNDER THE AGE OF [16]  
24    18 YEARS.

25    (B) PENALTY.--A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION SHALL, UPON  
26    CONVICTION, BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE OF NOT LESS THAN \$25 FOR  
27    A FIRST OFFENSE AND NOT LESS THAN \$100 FOR A SUBSEQUENT OFFENSE.

28       Section ~~2~~ 3. This act shall take effect immediately.     <—