THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 581

Session of 1991

INTRODUCED BY REBER, ANGSTADT, BUNT, HESS, HALUSKA, CIVERA AND CORNELL, MARCH 12, 1991

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LIQUOR CONTROL, MARCH 12, 1991

AN ACT

- Amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), entitled, as 2 reenacted, "An act relating to alcoholic liquors, alcohol and 3 malt and brewed beverages; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto; regulating and 5 restricting the manufacture, purchase, sale, possession, 6 consumption, importation, transportation, furnishing, holding in bond, holding in storage, traffic in and use of alcoholic 7 liquors, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages and the 8 9 persons engaged or employed therein; defining the powers and duties of the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board; providing 10 for the establishment and operation of State liquor stores, 11 for the payment of certain license fees to the respective 12 13 municipalities and townships, for the abatement of certain 14 nuisances and, in certain cases, for search and seizure without warrant; prescribing penalties and forfeitures; 15 providing for local option, and repealing existing laws," 16 17 further providing for the time for hearings relating to 18 violations.
- 19 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 20 hereby enacts as follows:
- 21 Section 1. Section 471(a) of the act of April 12, 1951
- 22 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, reenacted and amended
- 23 June 29, 1987 (P.L.32, No.14), is amended to read:
- 24 Section 471. Revocation and Suspension of Licenses; Fines.--
- 25 (a) Upon learning of any violation of this act or any laws of

- 1 this Commonwealth relating to liquor, alcohol or malt or brewed
- 2 beverages, or of any regulations of the board adopted pursuant
- 3 to such laws, or any violation of any laws of this Commonwealth
- 4 or of the Federal Government relating to the payment of taxes on
- 5 liquor, alcohol or malt or brewed beverages by any licensee
- 6 within the scope of this article, his officers, servants, agents
- 7 or employes, or upon any other sufficient cause shown, the
- 8 enforcement bureau may, within one year from the date of such
- 9 violation or cause appearing, cite such licensee to appear
- 10 before an administrative law judge, [not less than ten nor more
- 11 than sixty days from the date of sending such licensee,] by
- 12 <u>sending</u> by registered mail, a notice addressed to him at his
- 13 licensed premises, to show cause why such license should not be
- 14 suspended or revoked or a fine imposed, or both. The bureau
- 15 shall also send a copy of the hearing notice to the municipality
- 16 in which the premises is located. This hearing shall be held
- 17 <u>within one hundred and eighty days of the citation.</u>
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- 19 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.