## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 1047 Session of 2009

INTRODUCED BY SAYLOR, BEYER, BOYD, D. COSTA, CREIGHTON, EVERETT, FLECK, GEIST, GILLESPIE, GINGRICH, GOODMAN, GROVE, HENNESSEY, HESS, HICKERNELL, M. KELLER, KILLION, KOTIK, MELIO, MILLARD, MILLER, MILNE, O'NEILL, PALLONE, PAYNE, PHILLIPS, PYLE, READSHAW, SIPTROTH, SOLOBAY, STABACK, SWANGER, J. TAYLOR AND VULAKOVICH, MARCH 23, 2009

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, MARCH 23, 2009

## AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
- 2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for penalties for
- injuring or tampering with fire apparatus, hydrants, etc.,
- and for unauthorized use or opening of fire hydrants.
- 5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 6 hereby enacts as follows:
- 7 Section 1. Sections 3305 and 3306 of Title 18 of the
- 8 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read:
- 9 § 3305. Injuring or tampering with fire apparatus, hydrants,
- 10 etc.
- 11 Whoever willfully and maliciously cuts, injures, damages, or
- 12 destroys or defaces any fire hydrant or any fire hose or fire
- 13 engine, or other public or private fire equipment, or any
- 14 apparatus appertaining to the same, commits a misdemeanor of the
- 15 [third] <u>second</u> degree.
- 16 § 3306. Unauthorized use or opening of fire hydrants.
- 17 Whoever opens for private usage any fire hydrant without

- 1 authorization of the water authority or company having
- 2 jurisdiction over such fire hydrant, commits a [summary offense]
- 3 misdemeanor of the third degree.
- 4 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.