

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1617 Session of
2011

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JUNE 2, 2011

AS AMENDED ON SECOND CONSIDERATION, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
FEBRUARY 7, 2012

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, further providing for suspension of operating
3 privilege for failure to respond to citation.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 ~~Section 1. Section 1533(a) of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania~~ ←
7 ~~Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:~~

8 SECTION 1. SECTION 1533(A), (C) AND (D) OF TITLE 75 OF THE ←
9 PENNSYLVANIA CONSOLIDATED STATUTES ARE AMENDED TO READ:

10 § 1533. Suspension of operating privilege for failure to
11 respond to citation.

12 (a) Violations within Commonwealth.--The department shall
13 suspend the operating privilege of any person who has failed to
14 respond to a citation or summons to appear before an issuing
15 authority or a court of competent jurisdiction of this
16 Commonwealth for any violation of this title, other than
17 parking, or who has failed to pay any fine [or], costs or

1 restitution imposed by an issuing authority or such courts for
2 violation of this title, other than parking, upon being duly
3 notified by an issuing authority or a court of this
4 Commonwealth.

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6 (C) TIME FOR RESPONDING TO NOTICE.--AT LEAST 15 DAYS BEFORE
7 AN ISSUING AUTHORITY OR COURT NOTIFIES THE DEPARTMENT TO IMPOSE
8 A SUSPENSION PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (A), THE ISSUING AUTHORITY
9 OR COURT SHALL NOTIFY THE PERSON IN WRITING OF THE REQUIREMENT
10 TO RESPOND TO THE CITATION AND PAY ALL FINES, RESTITUTION AND
11 PENALTIES IMPOSED BY THE ISSUING AUTHORITY OR COURT.

12 (D) PERIOD OF SUSPENSION.--THE SUSPENSION SHALL CONTINUE
13 UNTIL SUCH PERSON SHALL RESPOND TO THE CITATION, SUMMONS OR
14 WRIT, AS THE CASE MAY BE, AND PAY ALL FINES, RESTITUTION AND
15 PENALTIES IMPOSED OR ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT TO MAKE INSTALLMENT
16 PAYMENTS FOR THE FINES, RESTITUTION AND PENALTIES IMPOSED
17 PROVIDED THAT THE SUSPENSION MAY BE REIMPOSED BY THE DEPARTMENT
18 IF THE DEFENDANT FAILS TO MAKE REGULAR INSTALLMENT PAYMENTS AND,
19 IF APPLICABLE, PAY THE FEE PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 1960 (RELATING
20 TO REINSTATEMENT OF OPERATING PRIVILEGE OR VEHICLE
21 REGISTRATION) .

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23 Section 2. This act shall take effect in ~~60~~ 90 days.