## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 318

Session of 2017

INTRODUCED BY D. COSTA, MILLARD, McCLINTON, MATZIE, MURT, B. MILLER, DeLUCA, READSHAW, MARSICO, CALTAGIRONE, KORTZ AND NEILSON, FEBRUARY 6, 2017

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## AN ACT

Amending the act of April 14, 1972 (P.L.233, No.64), entitled "An act relating to the manufacture, sale and possession of 2 controlled substances, other drugs, devices and cosmetics; 3 conferring powers on the courts and the secretary and Department of Health, and a newly created Pennsylvania Drug, Device and Cosmetic Board; establishing schedules of controlled substances; providing penalties; requiring 7 registration of persons engaged in the drug trade and for the 8 revocation or suspension of certain licenses and registrations; and repealing an act," providing for dismissal of police officers upon conviction of certain offense and for 10 11 dismissal of firefighters upon conviction of certain offense. 12 13 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 14 hereby enacts as follows: 15 Section 1. The act of April 14, 1972 (P.L.233, No.64), known 16 as The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act, is amended by adding sections to read: 17 18 Section 23.1. Law Enforcement Officer Dismissal .--19 Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, a 20 law enforcement officer as defined in 42 Pa.C.S. § 5950(d) 21 (relating to confidential communications involving law 22 enforcement officers) who is convicted of an offense under

- 1 <u>section 13(a)(12)</u>, or a substantially similar offense in another
- 2 <u>state</u>, shall be <u>summarily dismissed from employment</u>.
- 3 <u>Section 23.2. Firefighter Dismissal.--Notwithstanding any</u>
- 4 other provision of law to the contrary, a firefighter who is
- 5 convicted of an offense under section 13(a)(12), or a
- 6 <u>substantially similar offense in another state</u>, shall be
- 7 <u>summarily dismissed from employment.</u>
- 8 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.