## AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1803

Sponsor: REPRESENTATIVE GEIST

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Amend Bill, page 1, line 2, by inserting after "Statutes," 1

2 further providing for automated red light enforcement

systems in first class cities; and 3

4 Amend Bill, page 1, lines 6 and 7, by striking out all of

5 said lines and inserting

6 Section 1. Section 3116(e)(3), (f), (i)(3), (l) and (q) of 7 Title 75 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, amended 8 December 22, 2011 (P.L.596, No.129), are amended to read: 9 § 3116. Automated red light enforcement systems in first class 10 cities.

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(e) Limitations.--

(3) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, information prepared under this section and information relating to violations under this section which is kept by the city of the first class, its authorized agents or its employees, including recorded images, written records, reports or facsimiles, names, addresses and the number of violations under this section, shall be for the exclusive use of the city, its authorized agents, its employees and law enforcement officials for the purpose of discharging their duties under this section and under any ordinances and resolutions of the city. The information shall not be deemed a public record under the act of [June 21, 1957 (P.L.390, No.212), referred tol February 14, 2008 (P.L.6, No.3), known as the Right-to-Know Law. The information shall not be discoverable by court order or otherwise, nor shall it be offered in evidence in any action or proceeding which is not directly related to a violation of this section or any ordinance or resolution of the city. The restrictions set forth in this paragraph shall not be deemed to preclude a court of competent jurisdiction from issuing an order directing that the information be provided to law enforcement officials if the information is reasonably described and is requested solely in connection with a criminal law

enforcement action.

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(f) Defenses.--

- (1) It shall be a defense to a violation under this section that the person named in the notice of the violation was not operating the vehicle at the time of the violation. The owner may be required to submit evidence that the owner was not the driver at the time of the alleged violation. The city of the first class may not require the owner of the vehicle to disclose the identity of the operator of the vehicle at the time of the violation.
- (2) If an owner receives a notice of violation pursuant to this section of a time period during which the vehicle was reported to a police department of any state or municipality as having been stolen, it shall be a defense to a violation pursuant to this section that the vehicle has been reported to a police department as stolen prior to the time the violation occurred and had not been recovered prior to that time.
- (3) It shall be a defense to a violation under this section that the person receiving the notice of violation was not the owner of the vehicle at the time of the offense.
- (4) It shall be a defense to a violation under this section that the person receiving the notice of violation was driving a bus with passengers on board at the time of the violation and that a sudden stop could have injured those passengers.

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(i) System administrator.-\* \* \*

- (3) The system administrator shall submit an annual report to the chairman and the minority chairman of the Transportation Committee of the Senate and the chairman and minority chairman of the Transportation Committee of the House of Representatives. The report shall be considered a public record under the Right-to-Know Law and include for the prior year:
  - (i) The number of violations and fines issued.
  - (ii) A compilation of fines paid and outstanding.
  - (iii) The amount of money paid to a vendor or manufacturer under this section.

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- (1) Payment of fine. --
- (1) An owner to whom a notice of violation has been issued may admit responsibility for the violation and pay the fine provided in the notice.
- (2) Payment must be made personally, through an authorized agent or by mailing both payment and the notice of violation to the system administrator. Payment by mail must be made only by money order, credit card or check made payable to the system administrator. The system administrator

1 shall remit the fine, less the system administrator's 2 operation and maintenance costs necessitated by this section, to the department for deposit into the Motor License Fund. 3 4 Fines deposited in the fund under this paragraph shall be used by the department to develop, by regulation, a 5 6 Transportation Enhancements Grant Program. The department 7 shall award transportation enhancement grants on a 8 competitive basis. The department may pay any actual 9 administrative costs arising from its administration of this section. The department may not reserve, designate or set 10 11 aside any specific level of funds or percentage of funds to 12 an applicant prior to the completion of the application process, nor may the department designate a set percentage of 13 funds to an applicant. Grants shall be awarded by the 14 15 department on recommendation of a selection committee 16 consisting of four representatives of the department 17 appointed by the secretary and four members appointed by the 18 mayor of the city of the first class. (3) Payment of the established fine and applicable 19 20 penalties shall operate as a final disposition of the case. 21 22 (q) Expiration.--This section shall expire [June 30, 2012] 23 <u>December 31, 2016</u>. 24 Section 2. Section 6109(h) of Title 75 is amended to read:

Amend Bill, page 3, line 27, by striking out "2" and

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