

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY HANNA, BOYD, BRENNAN, CARROLL, LEVDANSKY, MAHONEY,  
SIPTROTH, SWANGER, WALKO AND YOUNGBLOOD, FEBRUARY 18, 2009

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, FEBRUARY 18, 2009

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
2 Statutes, in other required equipment, further providing for  
3 exhaust systems, mufflers and noise control.

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

6 Section 1. Section 4523(c) and (d) of Title 75 of the  
7 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read:  
8 § 4523. Exhaust systems, mufflers and noise control.

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10 (c) Mufflers and related equipment.--Every motor vehicle  
11 shall be equipped with a [muffler] factory-installed muffler, a  
12 muffler meeting factory specifications or other effective noise  
13 suppressing system in good working order [and], in constant  
14 operation and [no] in compliance with the maximum noise levels  
15 permitted under subsection (a). No muffler or exhaust system  
16 shall be equipped with a cutout, bypass or similar device.

17 (d) Unauthorized modification of equipment.--No person shall  
18 modify the exhaust system of a motor vehicle in a manner which

1 will amplify or increase the noise emitted by the motor of the  
2 vehicle above the maximum levels permitted under subsection (a)  
3 or violate the provisions of subsection (b) or (c). Headers and  
4 side exhausts are permitted provided the vehicle meets all the  
5 requirements of this section.

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7 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.