THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL No. 2580 Session of 2002

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, APRIL 17, 2002

AN ACT

Amending the act of December 5, 1972 (P.L.1280, No.284), 2 entitled "An act relating to securities; prohibiting 3 fraudulent practices in relation thereto; requiring the registration of broker-dealers, agents, investment advisers, and securities; and making uniform the law with reference 5 thereto, " further providing for assessments. 7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: 9 Section 1. Section 602.1(c)(1)(ii) of the act of December 5, 1972 (P.L.1280, No.284), known as the Pennsylvania Securities 10 11 Act of 1972, amended or added May 4, 1993 (P.L.4, No.4) and November 24, 1998 (P.L.829, No.109), is amended to read: 12 13 Section 602.1. Assessments. -- * * * 14 (C) * * * 15 The commission, in issuing an order under this 16 subsection, may impose the administrative assessments set forth

below. Each act or omission that provides a basis for issuing an

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- 1 order under this subsection shall constitute a separate
- 2 violation.
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- 4 (ii) In issuing an order against a person for wilful
- 5 violation of section 401(a) or (c), 404, 406, 408, 409 or 512(d)
- 6 or for wilful violation of a cease and desist order issued under
- 7 section 606(c.1), the commission may impose an administrative
- 8 assessment of up to [twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000)]
- 9 <u>fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000)</u> for a single violation or up to
- 10 [one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000)] three hundred
- 11 thousand dollars (\$300,000) for multiple violations in a single
- 12 proceeding or a series of related proceedings. In addition to
- 13 the foregoing assessment, the commission also may impose a
- 14 special administrative assessment of up to [twenty-five thousand
- 15 dollars (\$25,000)] fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for each of
- 16 the provisions described as follows that the commission
- 17 determines are applicable:
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- 19 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.