

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2378 Session of
1982

INTRODUCED BY W. W. FOSTER, LETTERMAN, NOYE, PETRARCA, BITTLE,
PETERSON, FARGO, DeWEESE, TIGUE, STEIGHNER, PHILLIPS,
SEVENTY, GRABOWSKI, COWELL, PENDLETON, GAMBLE, OLASZ, TRELLO,
PISTELLA, COHEN, MRKONIC, KOLTER, HORGOS, CALTAGIRONE,
PETRONE, CLARK, DUFFY, B. SMITH, SPENCER, MERRY, BOYES AND
PUNT, MARCH 30, 1982

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, MARCH 30, 1982

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1225, No.316), entitled
2 "An act concerning game and other wild birds and wild
3 animals; and amending, revising, consolidating, and changing
4 the law relating thereto," further providing for the
5 operation of vehicles with flashing or rotating red lights
6 and for unlawful acts.

7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
8 hereby enacts as follows:

9 Section 1. Sections 729.1 and 730, act of June 3, 1937
10 (P.L.1225, No.316), known as "The Game Law," amended or added
11 June 11, 1976 (P.L.157, No.77), are amended to read:

12 Section 729.1. Flashing or Rotating Red Light.--
13 Notwithstanding any provision of any other law to the contrary,
14 active full-time salaried Pennsylvania Game Protectors shall be
15 authorized to operate or move any [official] vehicle [owned by
16 the Commonwealth which is identified or marked as such by
17 appropriate lettering, decal, or both, as approved by the
18 commission,] upon any street or highway within the Commonwealth,

1 with a flashing or rotating red light attached to such vehicle
2 in a temporary or permanent fashion which is visible in any
3 direction. Pennsylvania Deputy Game Protectors shall be
4 authorized to operate or move any vehicle upon any street or
5 highway within the Commonwealth, with a flashing or rotating red
6 light temporarily attached to the vehicle when performing duties
7 within the scope of their authority. The commission shall
8 prescribe the type of flashing or rotating red light to be used
9 and the manner of attachment to the vehicle.

10 Section 730. Vehicles Required to Stop Upon Signal.--It
11 shall be unlawful for the operator of any motor vehicle to fail
12 or refuse to stop any such vehicle or conveyance of any kind,
13 being operated anywhere within this Commonwealth, upon request
14 or signal of any active full-time salaried Game Protector or
15 Deputy Game Protector using a flashing or rotating red light as
16 defined in section 729.1 of this act, or upon request or hand
17 signal of any officer whose duty it is to enforce the game laws,
18 when such officer in every instance is in uniform and shall
19 display his badge or other insignia of identification, for the
20 purpose of inspecting or searching said vehicle or conveyance,
21 its passengers or contents, for the unlawful possession,
22 concealment, or transportation of any wild bird or wild animal
23 or parts thereof, or for the purpose of inspecting or searching
24 said vehicle or conveyance, its passengers or contents, for any
25 other violation of the act, or to in any manner interfere with
26 any such officer while making such inspection.

27 It is unlawful for any person to turn off any or all lights
28 on a vehicle or conveyance, being operated anywhere within this
29 Commonwealth, for the purpose of avoiding identification or
30 arrest, upon request or signal to stop as required in this

1 section.

2 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.