
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2988 Session of
1996

INTRODUCED BY BELARDI, CAWLEY AND STABACK, OCTOBER 15, 1996

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON URBAN AFFAIRS, OCTOBER 15, 1996

AN ACT

1 Providing for the crime of municipal housing code avoidance in
2 cities of the second class A.

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

5 Section 1. Municipal housing code avoidance.

6 (a) Offense defined.--A person commits the crime of
7 municipal housing code avoidance in cities of the second class A
8 upon that person's fourth or subsequent conviction of a
9 violation of the second class A city housing code ordinance for
10 the same property without any reasonable attempt to correct the
11 violation.

12 (b) Grading.--Municipal housing code avoidance shall
13 constitute a:

14 (1) Misdemeanor of the second degree when the offense is
15 a fourth conviction of a violation under a second class A
16 city's housing code relating to the same property.

17 (2) Misdemeanor of the first degree when the offense is
18 based on five or more convictions of violations under a

1 second class A city's housing code relating to the same
2 property.

3 (c) Definition.--As used in this act, the term "municipal
4 housing code" means a second class A city's building, housing or
5 property maintenance code or ordinance.

6 Section 2. Effective date.

7 This act shall take effect in 60 days.