THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL No. 1086 Session of 1999

INTRODUCED BY COSTA, WAUGH, BELAN, STAPLETON, BOSCOLA, MUSTO AND KASUNIC, SEPTEMBER 15, 1999

REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1999

AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
- 2 Consolidated Statutes, prohibiting the pointing of laser
- 3 beams at law enforcement officers or firefighters.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Section 2705 of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania
- 7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:
- 8 § 2705. Recklessly endangering another person.
- 9 [A] (a) Misdemeanor of the second degree.--Except as
- 10 provided in subsection (b), a person commits a misdemeanor of
- 11 the second degree if he recklessly engages in conduct which
- 12 places or may place another person in danger of death or serious
- 13 bodily injury.
- (b) Laser beams used against law enforcement officers or
- 15 <u>firefighters.--A person commits a felony of the third degree if</u>
- 16 he, while acting in an unofficial capacity, subjects the eyes of
- 17 a law enforcement officer or a firefighter to a laser beam.
- 18 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

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