THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 13

Session of 2007

INTRODUCED BY READSHAW, BARRAR, BOYD, BUXTON, CALTAGIRONE, DALEY, DENLINGER, DeWEESE, FAIRCHILD, GODSHALL, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HARHAI, HARHART, HARPER, HERSHEY, JAMES, M. KELLER, KORTZ, KOTIK, LEVDANSKY, MARKOSEK, MUSTIO, NICKOL, PETRONE, PHILLIPS, PRESTON, SAINATO, SAYLOR, SIPTROTH, SOLOBAY, STABACK, WALKO, WANSACZ, WOJNAROSKI, ROAE, MARSHALL, GIBBONS, GERGELY, PEIFER, HANNA, MANTZ, HORNAMAN, EVERETT, BROOKS AND GEORGE, JANUARY 30, 2007

AS RE-REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, MAY 8, 2007

AN ACT

- Amending the act of February 2, 1965 (P.L.1860, No.586), entitled "An act encouraging landowners to make land and water areas available to the public for recreational purposes by limiting liability in connection therewith, and repealing certain acts," further providing for liability of landowners toward recreational users, persons or property for acts or acts of omission by recreational users.
- 8 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 9 hereby enacts as follows:
- 10 Section 1. Sections 1 and 4 of the act of February 2, 1965
- 11 (P.L.1860, No.586), entitled "An act encouraging landowners to
- 12 make land and water areas available to the public for
- 13 recreational purposes by limiting liability in connection
- 14 therewith, and repealing certain acts," are amended to read:
- 15 Section 1. The purpose of this act is to encourage owners of
- 16 land to make land and water areas available to the public for
- 17 recreational purposes by limiting their liability [toward

- 1 persons entering thereon for such purposes].
- 2 Section 4. Except as specifically recognized by or provided
- 3 in section 6 of this act, an owner of land who either directly
- 4 or indirectly invites or permits without charge any person to
- 5 use such property for recreational purposes does not thereby:
- 6 (1) Extend any assurance that the premises are safe for any
- 7 purpose.
- 8 (2) Confer upon such person the legal status of an invitee
- 9 or licensee to whom a duty of care is owed.
- 10 (3) Assume responsibility for or incur liability for any
- 11 injury to persons or property caused by an act of omission of
- 12 such persons.
- 13 (4) Assume responsibility for or incur liability for any
- 14 <u>injury to persons or property</u>, wherever such persons or property
- 15 are located, caused while hunting pursuant to 34 Pa.C.S.
- 16 (relating to game) AS DEFINED IN 34 PA.C.S. § 102 (RELATING TO <-
- 17 <u>DEFINITIONS</u>).
- 18 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.