THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 296

Session of 2007

INTRODUCED BY R. STEVENSON, BOYD, CALTAGIRONE, DENLINGER, GINGRICH, HUTCHINSON, M. KELLER, KOTIK, MILLARD, O'NEILL, PHILLIPS, PICKETT, PYLE AND REICHLEY, FEBRUARY 7, 2007

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, FEBRUARY 7, 2007

AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
- 2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for costs imposed
- 3 following conviction for passing bad checks.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Section 4105(e) of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania
- 7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:
- 8 § 4105. Bad checks.
- 9 * * *
- 10 (e) Costs.--Upon conviction under this section the sentence
- 11 shall include an order for the issuer or passer to reimburse the
- 12 payee or such other party as the circumstances may indicate for:
- 13 (1) The face amount of the check.
- 14 (2) Interest at the legal rate on the face amount of the
- 15 check from the date of dishonor by the drawee.
- 16 (3) A service charge if written notice of the service
- 17 charge was conspicuously displayed on the payee's premises
- 18 when the check was issued. The service charge shall not

- exceed [\$20] <u>\$50</u> unless the payee is charged fees in excess
- of [\$20] \$50 by financial institutions as a result of such
- 3 bad check or similar sight order for the payment of money. If
- 4 the payee is charged fees in excess of [\$20] \$50, then the
- 5 service charge shall not exceed the actual amount of the
- 6 fees.
- 7 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.