## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 958

Session of 2007

INTRODUCED BY CRUZ AND YOUNGBLOOD, MARCH 29, 2007

AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, OCTOBER 31, 2007

## AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
- 2 Statutes, providing for the judicial imposition of community
- 3 service as a penalty.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Section 6504 of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania
- 7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:
- 8 § 6504. Inability to pay fine and costs.
- 9 (a) Order for installment payments.--Upon plea and proof
- 10 that a person is [unable] without the financial means to pay any
- 11 fine and costs imposed under this title, a court may, in
- 12 accordance with 42 Pa.C.S. § 9758 (relating to fine), order
- 13 payment of the fine and costs in installments and shall fix the
- 14 amounts, times and manner of payment.
- 15 (b) Imprisonment for nonpayment. -- Any person who does not
- 16 comply with an order entered under this section may be
- 17 imprisoned for a number of days equal to one day for each \$40 of

- 1 the unpaid balance of the fine and costs.
- 2 (c) Community service. -- Upon plea and proof that a person is
- 3 without the financial means to pay any fine and costs imposed
- 4 under this title, a court may, in accordance with 42 Pa.C.S. §
- 5 9730 (relating to payment of court costs, restitution and
- 6 fines), order the performance of a reasonable period of
- 7 <u>community service</u>. <u>Court ordered community service may be</u>
- 8 imposed pursuant to this subsection in lieu of payment of up to

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- 9 50% of the fine and costs originally imposed. The court so
- 10 ordering shall fix the duration, time and manner of the
- 11 performance of community service.
- 12 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.