THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL No. 1571 Session of 2007

INTRODUCED BY GINGRICH, SWANGER, BAKER, BELFANTI, BOYD, CASORIO, COX, CREIGHTON, DeLUCA, EVERETT, GEIST, GILLESPIE, HARHART, HERSHEY, HESS, HICKERNELL, M. KELLER, W. KELLER, MILLARD, MILNE, MURT, PAYNE, PICKETT, PYLE, READSHAW, REICHLEY, RUBLEY, SCHRODER, SIPTROTH, SONNEY, STERN AND YOUNGBLOOD, JUNE 20, 2007

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, JUNE 20, 2007

AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
- 2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for the offense of
- 3 loitering and prowling at night.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Section 5506 of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania
- 7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:
- 8 § 5506. Loitering and prowling at night time.
- 9 [Whoever] (a) Offense defined.--A person who at night time
- 10 maliciously loiters or maliciously prowls around a dwelling
- 11 house or any other place used wholly or in part for living or
- 12 dwelling purposes, belonging to or occupied by another, [is
- 13 guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree.] commits an
- 14 offense.
- 15 (b) Grading. -- An offense under subsection (a) constitutes a:
- 16 (1) Misdemeanor of the third degree when the offense is

- 1 a first offense.
- 2 (2) Misdemeanor of the second degree when the offense is
- 3 a second offense.
- 4 (3) Misdemeanor of the first degree when the offense is
- 5 a third offense.
- 6 (4) Felony of the third degree when the offense is a
- 7 fourth or subsequent offense.
- Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days. 8