THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 817

Session of 2007

INTRODUCED BY ROBBINS, ORIE, COSTA, MADIGAN, BOSCOLA, BROWNE, FONTANA, EARLL, KASUNIC, PUNT, LAVALLE, RAFFERTY, LOGAN, RHOADES, TARTAGLIONE, D. WHITE AND WONDERLING, MAY 21, 2007

REFERRED TO URBAN AFFAIRS AND HOUSING, MAY 21, 2007

AN ACT

- 1 Amending the act of April 6, 1951 (P.L.69, No.20), entitled "An act relating to the rights, obligations and liabilities of
- landlord and tenant and of parties dealing with them and
- 4 amending, revising, changing and consolidating the law
- 5 relating thereto, " providing for disclosure of prior use for
- 6 the manufacture of certain controlled substances.
- 7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 8 hereby enacts as follows:
- 9 Section 1. The act of April 6, 1951 (P.L.69, No.20), known
- 10 as The Landlord and Tenant Act of 1951, is amended by adding a
- 11 section to read:
- 12 Section 207. Disclosure of Prior Use for Manufacture of
- 13 Certain Controlled Substances. -- For any lease subject to this
- 14 act, the landlord shall provide notice to a prospective tenant
- 15 if the property has been used for manufacturing methamphetamine,
- 16 MDMA (ecstasy) or lysergic acid diethylamide (LSD). The tenant
- 17 <u>shall acknowledge receipt of the notice before signing a rental</u>
- 18 agreement for the property, or in the case where there is no
- 19 written agreement, before taking possession of the property. The

- notice shall be attached to the rental agreement, if any. If the 1
- 2 <u>landlord does not fully comply with this section, the tenant</u>
- 3 shall have the option to void the lease and the landlord shall
- 4 <u>be subject to a civil penalty of one thousand dollars (\$1,000)</u>
- 5 and shall be liable for any harm resulting from failure to
- 6 comply with this section.
- 7 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.