THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1128 Session of 2009

INTRODUCED BY PRESTON, BRENNAN, BRIGGS, D. COSTA, GINGRICH, HARHART, JOSEPHS, MAHONEY, MELIO, READSHAW, SIPTROTH AND YOUNGBLOOD, MARCH 26, 2009

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER AFFAIRS, MARCH 26, 2009

AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 66 (Public Utilities) of the Pennsylvania
- Consolidated Statutes, further providing civil penalties for
- 3 gas pipeline safety violations.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Section 3301(c) of Title 66 of the Pennsylvania
- 7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:
- 8 § 3301. Civil penalties for violations.
- 9 * * *
- 10 (c) Gas pipeline safety violations. -- Any person or
- 11 corporation, defined as a public utility in this part, who
- 12 violates any provisions of this part governing the safety of
- 13 pipeline or conduit facilities in the transportation of natural
- 14 gas, flammable gas, or gas which is toxic or corrosive, or of
- 15 any regulation or order issued thereunder, shall be subject to a
- 16 civil penalty [of] not to exceed [\$10,000] <u>\$100,000</u> for each
- 17 violation for each day that the violation persists, except that
- 18 the maximum civil penalty shall not exceed [\$500,000] \$1,000,000

- 1 for any related series of violations.
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- 3 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.