

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 260 Session of 2009

INTRODUCED BY BAKER, VOGEL, TARTAGLIONE, SCARNATI, ALLOWAY,
FOLMER, KITCHEN, PICCOLA, ERICKSON, WASHINGTON, RAFFERTY,
MUSTO, BROWNE, HUGHES, STOUT, ORIE, YAW, WOZNIAK, SMUCKER,
PIPPY, O'PAKE, LOGAN, EARLL, WONDERLING, KASUNIC, BRUBAKER,
WILLIAMS AND BOSCOLA, FEBRUARY 19, 2009

REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, FEBRUARY 19, 2009

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for sexual abuse of
3 children.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 6312 of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subsection to read:
8 § 6312. Sexual abuse of children.

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10 (g) Concurrent jurisdiction to prosecute.--The Attorney
11 General shall have concurrent prosecutorial jurisdiction with
12 the district attorney for violations under this section and any
13 crime arising out of the activity prohibited by this section. No
14 person charged with a violation of this section by the Attorney
15 General shall have standing to challenge the authority of the
16 Attorney General to prosecute the case, and, if any such
17 challenge is made, the challenge shall be dismissed and no

1 relief shall be available in the courts of this Commonwealth to
2 the person making the challenge.

3 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.