

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 883 Session of 2013

INTRODUCED BY DINNIMAN, TEPLITZ, WOZNIAK, SMITH, STACK, FONTANA,
RAFFERTY AND KASUNIC, APRIL 25, 2013

REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, APRIL 25, 2013

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in forgery and fraudulent practices,
3 providing for the offense of falsely impersonating recipients
4 of Congressional Medal of Honor.

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

7 Section 1. Title 18 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
8 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

9 § 4115.1. Falsely impersonating recipients of Congressional
10 Medal of Honor.

11 (a) Offense defined.--A person commits a summary offense if
12 the person falsely represents himself verbally or in writing to
13 have been awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor, as that term
14 is defined in 18 U.S.C. § 704 (relating to military medals or
15 decorations), and the person receives a financial benefit as a
16 result of the false representation or another person reasonably
17 relies on the false representation to the other person's
18 financial detriment.

19 (b) Nonapplicability.--Subsection (a) shall not apply to a

1 representation made by a candidate for a public office during a
2 political campaign for the public office.

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