

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 94 Session of 2015

INTRODUCED BY BOSCOLA, FARNESE, BLAKE, BREWSTER AND TARTAGLIONE,
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REFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION, JANUARY 14, 2015

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, in miscellaneous provisions, further providing for
3 snow and ice dislodged or falling from certain moving
4 vehicles.

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

7 Section 1. Section 3720 of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania
8 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

9 § 3720. Snow and ice [dislodged or falling from moving
10 vehicle].

11 (a) Duty to remove.--

12 (1) A driver of a motor vehicle with a registered gross
13 weight exceeding 48,000 pounds that is a truck tractor or
14 combination being operated on a street or highway of this
15 Commonwealth has an affirmative duty to make all reasonable
16 efforts to remove all accumulated ice or snow from the motor
17 vehicle, including the roof of the truck trailer or a vehicle
18 in the combination.

19 (2) A driver of a motor vehicle who violates this

1 subsection may be stopped on a street or highway by a law
2 enforcement officer if the law enforcement officer believes
3 the accumulated ice or snow may pose a threat to persons or
4 property.

5 (3) A person who violates this subsection shall be
6 subject to a fine of not less than \$25 nor more than \$75 for
7 each offense regardless of whether any snow or ice is
8 dislodged from the vehicle.

9 (b) Dislodged or fallen snow or ice.--When snow or ice is
10 dislodged or falls from a moving vehicle and strikes another
11 vehicle or pedestrian causing death or serious bodily injury,
12 the operator of the vehicle from which the snow or ice is
13 dislodged or falls shall be subject to a fine of not less than
14 \$200 nor more than [\$1,000] \$1,500 for each offense.

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