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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE BILL

No. 1398 Session of  
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INTRODUCED BY RAVENSTAHL, BERNSTINE, DONATUCCI, RABB, MURT,  
SAPPEY, SAINATO, STURLA, READSHAW, DEASY AND McCLINTON,  
MAY 6, 2019

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, MAY 6, 2019

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
2 Statutes, in miscellaneous provisions relating to operation  
3 of vehicles, further providing for the offense of depositing  
4 waste and other material on highway, property or waters.

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

7 Section 1. Section 3709(d)(1) and (e)(2) of Title 75 of the  
8 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read:

9 § 3709. Depositing waste and other material on highway,  
10 property or waters.

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12 (d) Penalty.--Any person violating any of the provisions of  
13 subsection (a) or (b) commits a summary offense and shall, upon  
14 conviction, be sentenced to either or both of the following:

15 (1) To pay a fine of not more than:

16 (i) ~~[\$900]~~ \$1,100 for a violation which occurs in an  
17 easement purchased under the program established by  
18 section 14.1 of the act of June 30, 1981 (P.L.128,

1 No.43), known as the Agricultural Area Security Law;

2 (ii) [~~\$600~~] \$800 for a violation which occurs in an  
3 agricultural security area as defined in section 3 of the  
4 Agricultural Area Security Law; or

5 (iii) [~~\$300~~] \$500 for a violation which occurs  
6 anywhere else.

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8 (e) Disposition of fines, etc.--Revenue from the collection  
9 of fines and bail forfeitures in the course of enforcement of  
10 this section shall be distributed in the following manner:

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12 (2) One-half shall be allocated to the department for  
13 Statewide public education and awareness programs to promote  
14 litter control and recycling and awareness of the provisions  
15 of this section. At least 5% of the amount allocated under  
16 this paragraph shall be used for signage to be placed along  
17 Pennsylvania roadways that notifies the public of littering  
18 fines.

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