THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2456 Session of 2022

INTRODUCED BY MUSTELLO, LAWRENCE, MOUL AND KERWIN, MARCH 24, 2022

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, MARCH 24, 2022

AN ACT

Amending the act of April 28, 1937 (P.L.417, No.105), entitled 1 "An act relating to milk and the products thereof; creating a 2 Milk Marketing Board; establishing its jurisdiction, powers 3 and duties; regulating the production, transportation, manufacturing, processing, storage, distribution, delivery and sale of milk and certain products thereof; providing for 5 6 the licensing of milk dealers and the payment of fees therefor; requiring milk dealers to file bonds to secure 8 9 payment for milk to producers and certain milk dealers; authorizing the holding of hearings and the issuance of 10 subpoenas by the board; conferring jurisdiction upon courts 11 to punish contempts and to prohibit violations of this act 12 and of rules, regulations and orders of the board; 13 authorizing the board to adopt rules, regulations and orders, 14 15 and to enter into interstate and Federal compacts; requiring persons who weigh, measure, sample or test milk to procure 16 permits or certificates, to take examinations, to pay fees 17 therefor, to furnish certain notices, records and statements, 18 and to use certain methods of weighing, measuring, sampling 19 and testing; authorizing the board to examine the business, 20 papers and premises of milk dealers and producers, requiring 21 22 the keeping of records and the filing of reports by milk 23 dealers, and permitting, with limitations, the use of information obtained thereby; authorizing the board to fix 24 prices for milk and certain milk products subject to the 25 approval of the Governor, and conferring certain powers upon the Governor with respect thereto; providing for appeals to 26 27 the courts from decisions of the board, and for the burden of 28 29 proof upon such appeals; prescribing penalties, fines and 30 imprisonment for violations of this act and rules, regulations and orders of the board; defining perjury; 31 defining remedies; repealing legislation supplied and 32 superseded by this act, and saving rights, duties and 33

- proceedings thereunder; and making appropriations," in
- licenses of milk dealers, further providing for penalties in
- 3 lieu of suspension.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Section 404.1 of the act of April 28, 1937
- 7 (P.L.417, No.105), known as the Milk Marketing Law, is amended
- 8 to read:
- 9 Section 404.1. Penalties in Lieu of Suspension.--In any case
- 10 where the board shall suspend a license, the board may accept
- 11 from the licensee an offer in compromise at the rate of [one
- 12 hundred fifty dollars (\$150)] one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for
- 13 each day of suspension as a penalty in lieu of such suspension,
- 14 and thereupon rescind the suspension.
- 15 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.