THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 235

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AN ACT

Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in criminal homicide, providing for the offense of fentanyl delivery resulting in death. 3 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: 6 Section 1. Title 18 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated 7 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read: § 2506.1. Fentanyl delivery resulting in death. 8 9 (a) Legislative intent. --10 (1) The General Assembly's intent of this section is to 11 assist in prosecuting a person who sells or otherwise profits 12 from the sale of unlawful fentanyl that causes the death of 13 another person. (2) This section may be referred to as "Tyler's Law." 14 15 (b) Offense defined. -- A person commits a felony of the first 16 degree if the person intentionally sells or engages in a monetary transaction to distribute fentanyl and the distribution 17

results in the death of another person due to the use of the

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- 1 <u>fentanyl</u>.
- 2 (c) Mandatory minimum penalty. -- A person convicted of a
- 3 violation of subsection (b) shall be sentenced to a minimum
- 4 <u>sentence of at least 25 years of total confinement</u>,
- 5 notwithstanding any other provision of this title or any other
- 6 statute to the contrary. In no case shall the sentence exceed a
- 7 maximum sentence of 50 years of total confinement.
- 8 (d) Drug overdose response immunity. -- The immunity provided
- 9 for under section 13.7 of the act of April 14, 1972 (P.L.233,
- 10 No.64), known as The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and
- 11 Cosmetic Act, shall apply to this section.
- (e) Construction. -- The provisions of this section shall not
- 13 be construed to limit, restrict or otherwise prohibit an
- 14 indictment or conviction for another crime that may be related
- 15 to a violation of this section.
- 16 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.