

CRIMES CODE (18 PA.C.S.) - SEXUAL EXTORTION

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HB 2271

AN ACT

Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in sexual offenses, further providing for the offense of sexual extortion.

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

Section 1. Section 3133(e) of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

§ 3133. Sexual extortion.

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(e) Sentencing.--The Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing, in accordance with 42 Pa.C.S. § 2154 (relating to adoption of guidelines for sentencing), shall provide for a sentence enhancement within its guidelines for an offense under this section when:

(1) at the time of the offense the complainant is under 18 years of age or has an intellectual disability or the actor holds a position of trust or supervisory or disciplinary power over the complainant by virtue of the actor's legal, professional or occupational status[.]; or

(2) **the complainant attempts suicide resulting in serious bodily injury or dies by suicide, within 90 days of the commission of the offense, as a proximate result of the trauma that the complainant experienced during or following the commission of the offense.**

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Section 2. The addition of 18 Pa.C.S. § 3133(e)(2) shall apply to offenses committed on or after the effective date of this section.

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

APPROVED--The 11th day of July, A.D. 2022.

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