

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 100

Session of
1975

INTRODUCED BY SHUMAN, DOYLE AND TAYLOR, JANUARY 27, 1975

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, JANUARY 27, 1975

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, providing for malicious mischief to
3 caves.

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

6 Section 1. Title 18, act of November 25, 1970 (P.L.707, No.
7 230), known as the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, amended
8 December 6, 1972 (P.L.1482, No.334), is amended by adding a
9 section to read:

10 § 3307. Malicious mischief to caves.

11 Whoever without the prior permission of the owner, wilfully
12 or knowingly breaks, breaks off, cracks, carves upon, writes or
13 otherwise marks upon, or in any manner destroys, mutilates,
14 injures, defaces, mars or harms any natural material found in
15 any cave or cavern, such as stalactites, stalagmites,
16 helictites, anthodites, gypsum flowers or needles, flowstone,
17 draperies, columns, or other similar crystalline mineral
18 formations or otherwise and whoever kills, harms or disturbs
19 plant or animal life found therein, or discards litter or refuse

1 therein, or otherwise disturbs or alters the natural condition
2 of such cave or cavern, or breaks, forces, tampers with,
3 removes, or otherwise disturbs a lock, gate, door or other
4 structure or obstruction designed to prevent entrance to a cave
5 or cavern, without the permission of the owner thereof, whether
6 or not entrance is gained, commits a misdemeanor of the third
7 degree.

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