
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1900 Session of
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INTRODUCED BY MAKO, R. MACKENZIE, OWLETT, KAUFFMAN, PICKETT,
BERNSTINE, MOUL AND JOZWIAK, DECEMBER 8, 2023

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, DECEMBER 8, 2023

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in criminal homicide, further
3 providing for the offense of drug delivery resulting in
4 death.

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

7 Section 1. Section 2506(a) of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania
8 Consolidated Statutes is amended and the section is amended by
9 adding a subsection to read:

10 § 2506. Drug delivery resulting in death.

11 (a) Offense defined.--A person commits a felony of the first
12 degree if the person intentionally manufactures, administers,
13 dispenses, delivers, gives, prescribes, sells or distributes any
14 controlled substance or counterfeit controlled substance in
15 violation of section 13(a)(14) or (30) of the act of April 14,
16 1972 (P.L.233, No.64), known as The Controlled Substance, Drug,
17 Device and Cosmetic Act, and another person dies as a result of
18 using the substance.

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1 (g) Defense.--It is not a defense to an offense under this
2 section that the person died:

3 (1) after voluntarily using a controlled substance or
4 counterfeit controlled substance; or

5 (2) as a result of using the controlled substance or
6 counterfeit controlled substance in combination with alcohol,
7 another controlled substance or with any other drug,
8 compound, mixture, diluent or substance.

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