

## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## SENATE BILL

No. 114 Session of  
2019

INTRODUCED BY BOSCOLA, LAUGHLIN, COSTA, FONTANA, BLAKE,  
YUDICHAK, FOLMER, SCAVELLO, LEACH AND BREWSTER,  
JANUARY 24, 2019

AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, FEBRUARY 3, 2020

## AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
2 Statutes, in miscellaneous provisions, further providing for  
3 snow and ice dislodged or falling from moving vehicle.

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

6 Section 1. Section 3720 of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania  
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

8 § 3720. Snow and ice [dislodged or falling from moving  
9 vehicle].

10 (a) Removal of snow and ice from a motor vehicle or motor  
11 carrier vehicle.--

12 (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a  
13 driver of a motor vehicle or motor carrier vehicle being  
14 operated on a ~~street or~~ highway of this Commonwealth shall <--  
15 make reasonable efforts to remove accumulated ice or snow  
16 from the motor vehicle or motor carrier vehicle, including  
17 the hood, trunk and roof of the motor vehicle or motor

1 carrier vehicle, within 24 hours after the cessation of the  
2 falling snow or ice.

3 (2) Paragraph (1) shall not apply if:

4 (i) the driver of the motor carrier vehicle, MASS <--  
5 TRANSIT VEHICLE, BUS OR SCHOOL BUS is en route to a  
6 facility to remove accumulated ice or snow at the time of  
7 the stop under paragraph (3); or

8 (ii) compliance with this section would cause the  
9 driver of the motor carrier vehicle, MASS TRANSIT <--  
10 VEHICLE, BUS OR SCHOOL BUS to violate any other Federal  
11 or State law or regulation regarding workplace safety or  
12 would be a threat to the health and safety of the driver.

13 (3) A driver of a motor vehicle or motor carrier vehicle  
14 who violates this subsection may be stopped on a ~~street or~~ <--  
15 highway by a ~~law enforcement~~ POLICE officer if the ~~law~~ <--  
16 ~~enforcement~~ POLICE officer believes the accumulated ice or <--  
17 snow may pose a threat to persons or property.

18 (4) A driver of a motor vehicle or motor carrier vehicle  
19 who violates this subsection shall be subject to a fine of  
20 ~~not less than \$25 nor more than \$75~~ \$50 for each offense <--  
21 regardless of whether any snow or ice is dislodged from the  
22 vehicle.

23 (b) Dislodged or fallen snow or ice.--When snow or ice is  
24 dislodged or falls from a moving vehicle or motor carrier  
25 vehicle and strikes another vehicle or pedestrian causing death  
26 or serious bodily injury, the operator of the vehicle from which  
27 the snow or ice is dislodged or falls ~~and who is found in~~ <--  
28 ~~violation of subsection (a)~~ shall be subject to a fine of not  
29 less than \$200 nor more than [~~\$1,000~~] \$1,500 for each offense.

30 Section 2. This amendatory act shall be known as Christine's

1 Law.

2 Section 3. This act shall take effect ~~in 60 days~~ ON MAY 1, <--

3 2020, OR IMMEDIATELY, WHICHEVER IS LATER.