

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL**No. 189**Session of
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O'PAKE AND JUBELIRER, FEBRUARY 7, 1977

SENATOR HILL, JUDICIARY, AS AMENDED, FEBRUARY 22, 1977

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, redefining parts of the offense of
3 criminal trespass.

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

6 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 3503 of Title 18, act
7 of November 25, 1970 (P.L.707, No.230), known as the
8 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, is amended to read:

9 § 3503. Criminal trespass.

10 (a) Buildings and occupied structures.--

11 (1) A person commits an offense if, knowing that he is
12 not licensed or privileged to do so, he [enters or gains
13 entrance by subterfuge or surreptitiously remains in any
14 building or occupied structure, or separately secured or
15 occupied portion thereof.]:

16 (i) enters, gains entry by subterfuge or
17 surreptitiously remains in any building or occupied
18 structure or separately secured or occupied portion

1 thereof; or

2 (ii) breaks into any building or occupied structure
3 or separately secured or occupied portion thereof.

4 (2) [An offense under this subsection is a felony of the
5 second degree.] An offense under subparagraph (i) of
6 paragraph (1) is a misdemeanor of the second degree, and an
7 offense under subparagraph (ii) is a felony of the ~~second~~ <—
8 THIRD degree. <—

9 (3) As used in this subsection:

10 "Breaks into." To gain entry by force, breaking,
11 intimidation, unauthorized opening of locks, or through an
12 opening not designed for human access.

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