

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 1279 Session of
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INTRODUCED BY ROSS, STOUT, ANDREZESKI, HELFRICK, ROMANELLI,
O'CONNELL AND KELLEY, MARCH 5, 1984

AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER AFFAIRS, HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, NOVEMBER 21, 1984

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, providing for an offense relating to
3 falsification.

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

6 Section 1. Title 18 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
7 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

8 § 4904.1. Falsification to Commonwealth agencies and political
9 subdivisions.

10 ~~(a) Offense generally. An individual commits a felony of~~ <—
11 ~~the second degree if, during the occurrence of a disaster~~
12 ~~emergency which is declared by the appropriate authority as~~
13 ~~provided for in 35 Pa.C.S. Part V (relating to emergency~~
14 ~~management services), the individual knowingly provides false~~
15 ~~information related to the disaster emergency to a Commonwealth~~
16 ~~agency or political subdivision.~~

17 ~~(b) Offense relating to power generating facilities. An~~

1 ~~individual commits a felony of the second~~ MISDEMEANOR OF THE <—
2 FIRST degree if the individual, WHO IS AN OFFICIAL SPOKESMAN OF <—
3 A UTILITY DURING AN OCCURRENCE OF A DISASTER EMERGENCY DECLARED
4 BY THE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITY AS PROVIDED FOR IN 35 PA.C.S. PART
5 V (RELATING TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SERVICES), knowingly
6 provides false information to any agency of the Federal or State
7 government relating to or regarding any aspect of the operation
8 of a power generating facility UTILITY which may adversely <—
9 affect the health, welfare or safety of the residents of this
10 Commonwealth.

11 ~~(c) Penalty. An individual who is guilty of violating the~~ <—
12 ~~provisions of subsection (a) or (b) shall be sentenced to pay a~~
13 ~~fine of not less than \$10,000 or to undergo imprisonment for not~~
14 ~~less than six years, or both.~~

15 Section 2. Effective date.

16 This act shall take effect in 60 days.