

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1273 Session of
1995

INTRODUCED BY BLAUM, STERN, GEORGE, M. N. WRIGHT, FAIRCHILD,
McCALL, NAILOR, ROONEY, LAUGHLIN, GEIST, DALEY, ROBINSON,
BISHOP, TRELLO, MELIO, BATTISTO, DeLUCA, VAN HORNE, STABACK,
PISTELLA, J. TAYLOR, WOZNIAK AND BROWNE, MARCH 22, 1995

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, MARCH 22, 1995

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for hindering
3 apprehension or prosecution.

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

6 Section 1. Section 5105 of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

8 § 5105. Hindering apprehension or prosecution.

9 (a) Offense defined.--A person commits an offense if, with
10 intent to hinder the apprehension, prosecution, conviction or
11 punishment of another for crime, he:

12 (1) harbors or conceals the other;

13 (2) provides or aids in providing a weapon,
14 transportation, disguise or other means of avoiding
15 apprehension or effecting escape;

16 (3) conceals or destroys evidence of the crime, or
17 tampers with a witness, informant, document or other source

1 of information, regardless of its admissibility in evidence;

2 (4) warns the other of impending discovery or
3 apprehension, except that this paragraph does not apply to a
4 warning given in connection with an effort to bring another
5 into compliance with law; or

6 (5) [volunteers] provides false information to a law
7 enforcement officer.

8 (b) Grading.--The offense is a felony of the third degree if
9 the conduct which the actor knows has been charged or is liable
10 to be charged against the person aided would constitute a felony
11 of the first or second degree. Otherwise it is a misdemeanor of
12 the second degree.

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