THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2318 Session of 1996

INTRODUCED BY WILLIAMS, BELARDI, TRELLO AND ROONEY, JANUARY 31, 1996

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, JANUARY 31, 1996

AN ACT

Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania 1 2 Consolidated Statutes, providing for a curfew for minors under 18 years of age; and imposing penalties. 3 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: 5 6 Section 1. Title 18 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a section to read: § 6315. Curfew for minors 18 years of age or younger. 9 (a) General rule. -- No person 18 years of age or younger shall be on the streets after 12 midnight, unless the person is: 10 11 (1) accompanied by an adult; (2) performing employment duties; 12 13 (3) enroute to or from school activities; or (4) enroute to or from a place of worship or engaged in 14 15 religious activities. (b) Proof of authorized activity. -- In order to prove 16 entitlement to the exceptions enumerated in subsection (a)(2), 17

(3) or (4), the person must exhibit an affidavit signed by an

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- 1 official at the person's place of employment, school or place of
- 2 worship indicating the person's need to be on the street after
- 3 12 midnight and the person's schedule of curfew-hour activities.
- 4 (c) Penalties.--
- 5 (1) A person who violates subsection (a) commits a
- 6 <u>summary offense and shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to</u>
- 7 pay a fine of \$10 for a first offense, \$25 for a second
- 8 offense, \$50 for a third offense and \$100 for each subsequent
- 9 <u>offense</u>.
- 10 (2) A parent or quardian of a person who violates
- 11 <u>subsection (a) commits a summary offense and shall, upon</u>
- conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of \$100 for a first
- offense, \$250 for a second offense, \$500 for a third offense
- and \$1,000 for each subsequent offense.
- 15 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.