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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE BILL

No. 1204 Session of  
1995

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INTRODUCED BY LEMMOND, BAKER, SHAFFER, SALVATORE, O'PAKE,  
GERLACH, MUSTO, DELP, ULIANA, HECKLER, TOMLINSON AND  
BRIGHTBILL, AUGUST 18, 1995

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REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, AUGUST 18, 1995

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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  
18 of information, regardless of its admissibility in evidence;

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

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

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

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