THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 53

Session of 2001

INTRODUCED BY BARD, ARMSTRONG, BISHOP, RUBLEY, COLEMAN, CORRIGAN, FRANKEL, LAUGHLIN, MELIO, MICHLOVIC, SURRA, E. Z. TAYLOR, WASHINGTON AND YOUNGBLOOD, JANUARY 23, 2001

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, JANUARY 23, 2001

AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
- 2 Consolidated Statutes, providing for improper exhibition of
- 3 cigarette vending machines.
- 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 § 6306.2. Cigarette vending machine exhibition.
- 9 (a) Offense defined. -- A retailer or vending machine operator
- 10 commits a summary offense if the retailer or vending machine
- 11 operator displays or places, or permits the display or placement
- 12 of, a cigarette vending machine in a business, commercial
- 13 establishment or public thoroughfare, in such a manner that a
- 14 minor under 18 years of age has access to the machine.
- 15 (b) Penalty.--A retailer or vending machine operator who
- 16 <u>violates this section shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to</u>
- 17 pay a fine of not less than \$25 for a first offense and not less
- 18 than \$100 for a subsequent offense.

- 1 (c) Definitions. -- As used in this section, the following
- 2 words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this
- 3 <u>subsection:</u>
- 4 "Cigarette vending machine." As defined in section 202-A of
- 5 the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal
- 6 Code.
- 7 <u>"Retailer." As defined in section 202-A of the act of April</u>
- 8 <u>9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal Code.</u>
- 9 <u>"Vending machine operator." As defined in section 202-A of</u>
- 10 the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal
- 11 <u>Code</u>.
- 12 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.