## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE BILL No. 1034 Session of 2001

INTRODUCED BY L. I. COHEN, BROWNE, COSTA, CRUZ, CURRY, FRANKEL, GEIST, KENNEY, MELIO, R. MILLER, PISTELLA, RAYMOND, RUBLEY, TRELLO, WATSON, C. WILLIAMS AND WOJNAROSKI, MARCH 15, 2001

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, MARCH 15, 2001

## AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania
- 2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for willful failure
- 3 to pay support orders.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Section 4354(a) of Title 23 of the Pennsylvania
- 7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:
- 8 § 4354. Willful failure to pay support order.
- 9 (a) Offense defined. -- An individual who willfully fails to
- 10 comply with a support order of a court of this Commonwealth when
- 11 the individual has the financial ability to comply with the
- 12 support order commits a [summary offense] felony of the third
- 13 degree.
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- 15 Section 2. The amendment of 23 Pa.C.S. § 4354(a) shall apply
- 16 to offenses committed on or after the effective date of this
- 17 act.
- 18 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

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