

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1034 Session of
2001

INTRODUCED BY L. I. COHEN, BROWNE, COSTA, CRUZ, CURRY, FRANKEL,
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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, MAY 7, 2002

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~~ MISDEMEANOR of
13 the third 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.

1 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.