## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 75

Session of 2007

INTRODUCED BY HARHART, BAKER, BARRAR, BENNINGHOFF, BEYER, BOYD, CAPPELLI, CASORIO, DeLUCA, FREEMAN, GODSHALL, GOODMAN, GRELL, HARPER, HICKERNELL, M. KELLER, MAJOR, O'NEILL, PHILLIPS, PICKETT, ROAE, SOLOBAY, SONNEY, WATSON, GEIST AND MURT, JANUARY 30, 2007

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, JANUARY 30, 2007

## AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
- 2 Consolidated Statutes, providing for an offense relating to
- disguises worn to avoid apprehension.
- 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 § 5127. Disguises worn to avoid apprehension.
- 9 (a) Offense defined. -- A person commits an offense if the
- 10 person wears a mask, false whiskers or a personal disquise,
- 11 whether complete or partial, for the purpose of doing any of the
- 12 following:
- 13 (1) Evading or escaping discovery, recognition or
- identification in the commission of a criminal offense.
- 15 (2) Concealing, fleeing or escaping, when charged with,
- 16 arrested for or convicted of a criminal offense.
- 17 (b) Grading.--A violation of subsection (a) is an offense of

- the same grade and degree as the most serious underlying offense 1
- 2 <u>in subsection (a) for which the personal disquise was worn in</u>
- 3 order to flee or evade discovery, recognition, identification or
- 4 <u>capture</u>.
- 5 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.