THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 396

Session of 2007

INTRODUCED BY WASHINGTON, COSTA, KITCHEN, RAFFERTY, MUSTO, STOUT AND BOSCOLA, MARCH 13, 2007

REFERRED TO PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, MARCH 13, 2007

AN ACT

- 1 Amending the act of November 25, 1970 (P.L.769, No.254),
- 2 entitled "An act authorizing the use of identification
- devices by persons with certain afflictions or conditions;
- 4 imposing duties on law enforcement officers and prescribing
- 5 penalties, providing for medical identification tags.
- 6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 7 hereby enacts as follows:
- 8 Section 1. Section 1 of the act of November 25, 1970
- 9 (P.L.769, No.254), entitled "An act authorizing the use of
- 10 identification devices by persons with certain afflictions or
- 11 conditions; imposing duties on law enforcement officers and
- 12 prescribing penalties," is amended to read:
- 13 Section 1. (a) Any person who suffers from epilepsy,
- 14 diabetes, a cardiac condition, or any other type of illness
- 15 which causes temporary blackouts, semi-conscious periods, or
- 16 complete unconsciousness, is hereby authorized to wear an
- 17 identification bracelet or metal tag or carry an identification
- 18 card with the person's name, type of illness, physician's name
- 19 and medication required, engraved, stamped, or imprinted

- 1 thereon.
- 2 (b) Any person who suffers from Alzheimer's disease or a
- 3 related form of dementia and resides in an assisted living or
- 4 <u>long-term care nursing facility shall wear an identification</u>
- 5 bracelet or metal tag, which identifies the person's name, the
- 6 name of the facility, the type of illness, physician's name,
- 7 medication required and a contact number.
- 8 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.