THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 537 Session of 2007

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
2   Consolidated Statutes, providing for an offense relating to
3   fabricated airbags and fabricated airbag compartments.

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 § 7331. Fabricated airbags and fabricated airbag compartments.

9   (a) Offense defined.--It is unlawful for any person to

10 knowingly purchase, sell, install or reinstall on a vehicle a

11 fabricated airbag or fabricated airbag compartment.

12   (b) Grading.--Any person who violates subsection (a) commits

13 a misdemeanor of the first degree.

14   (c) Definitions.--As used in this section, the following

15 words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this

16 subsection:

17   "Fabricated airbag." Any item, other than an airbag designed

1 in accordance with Federal safety regulations for a given make,

2 model and year of motor vehicle that is part of a motor vehicle

3 inflatable restraint system.

4   "Fabricated airbag compartment." An airbag compartment that

5 is filled with any substance that does not function in the same

6 manner or to the same extent as an airbag designed in accordance

7 with Federal safety regulations for a given make, model and year

8 of motor vehicle to protect vehicle occupants in a vehicle

9 crash. The term does not include a compartment from which an

10 airbag has deployed if there is no concealment of the

11 deployment.

12   Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.