## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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## AN ACT

Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for the offense of theft of controlled substances. 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 § 3935. Theft of controlled substances. 9 (a) Offense defined. -- A person commits the offense of theft of a controlled substance if he: 10 (1) unlawfully takes possession of, carries away, 11 transfers, causes to be transferred or exercises control over 12 a controlled substance or other drug prescribed by a 13 practitioner for medication for an ultimate user with the 14 15 intent to deprive the ultimate user of the use of the 16 controlled substance or other drug; or (2) unlawfully takes possession of, carries away, 17

transfers, causes to be transferred or exercises control over

- 1 a controlled substance or other drug held, stored, offered
- for sale or distributed by a practitioner, manufacturer or
- 3 <u>distributor with the intent to deprive the practitioner</u>,
- 4 manufacturer or distributor thereof.
- 5 (b) Grading. -- An offense under this section constitutes a
- 6 <u>felony of the third degree</u>.
- 7 (c) Definitions. -- As used in this section, the following
- 8 words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this
- 9 subsection:
- 10 "Controlled substance." As defined in the act of April 14,
- 11 1972 (P.L.233, No.64), known as The Controlled Substance, Drug,
- 12 <u>Device and Cosmetic Act.</u>
- 13 "Distributor." As defined in the act of April 14, 1972
- 14 (P.L.233, No.64), known as The Controlled Substance, Drug,
- 15 <u>Device and Cosmetic Act.</u>
- 16 "Drug." As defined in the act of April 14, 1972 (P.L.233,
- 17 No.64), known as The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and
- 18 Cosmetic Act.
- 19 "Manufacturer." As defined in the act of April 14, 1972
- 20 (P.L.233, No.64), known as The Controlled Substance, Drug,
- 21 <u>Device and Cosmetic Act.</u>
- 22 "Practitioner." As defined in the act of April 14, 1972
- 23 (P.L.233, No.64), known as The Controlled Substance, Drug,
- 24 <u>Device and Cosmetic Act.</u>
- 25 "Ultimate user." As defined in the act of April 14, 1972
- 26 (P.L.233, No.64), known as The Controlled Substance, Drug,
- 27 <u>Device and Cosmetic Act.</u>
- 28 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.