

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1592 Session of 2009

INTRODUCED BY BEAR, BOYD, BRADFORD, BROWN, D. COSTA, CREIGHTON, CUTLER, DENLINGER, FLECK, GABLER, GIBBONS, GRELL, GROVE, HARRIS, HICKERNELL, KAUFFMAN, MOUL, MURT, O'NEILL, PYLE, RAPP, SIPTROTH, SONNEY, STERN, SWANGER, TRUE, VULAKOVICH, WATSON AND BEYER, JUNE 2, 2009

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, JUNE 2, 2009

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for the offense of
3 invasion of privacy.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 7507.1(b) of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended and the section is amended by
8 adding a subsection to read:

9 § 7507.1. Invasion of privacy.

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11 (b) Grading.--Invasion of privacy is a misdemeanor of the
12 second degree if there is more than one violation or if the
13 victim is a minor. Otherwise, a violation of this section is a
14 misdemeanor of the third degree.

15 (b.1) Mistake as to age.--It is no defense to prosecution
16 under this section that the defendant did not know the age of
17 the child. Neither a misrepresentation of age by the child nor a

1 bona fide belief that the person is over the specified age shall
2 be a defense.

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