

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, JUNE 28, 2012

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, providing for reporting of suspected
3 abuse or a prohibited sexual act.

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

6 Section 1. Section 6312 of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subsection to read:
8 § 6312. Sexual abuse of children.

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10 (b.1) Reporting of suspected abuse or prohibited sexual
11 act.--

12 (1) Any commercial film or photographic print processor
13 who:

14 (i) discovers evidence of suspected sexual abuse of
15 a minor as defined under 23 Pa.C.S § 6303 (relating to
16 definitions) or suspected prohibited sexual acts
17 involving a minor; and

18 (ii) fails to report the same to the Pennsylvania
19 State Police;

1 commits a summary offense and shall be sentenced to pay a
2 fine of not less than \$50 for a first offense and not less
3 than \$150 for subsequent offenses.

4 (2) Any employer who employs commercial film or
5 photographic print processors and who fails to inform such
6 employees of their required reporting under this subsection
7 commits a summary offense and shall be sentenced to pay a
8 fine of not less than \$300.

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