
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 266 Session of
2011

INTRODUCED BY BOSCOLA, RAFFERTY, WOZNIAK, TARTAGLIONE, BREWSTER,
ALLOWAY AND FONTANA, JANUARY 26, 2011

REFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION, JANUARY 26, 2011

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, in offenses in general, further providing for snow
3 or ice dislodged or falling from moving vehicle.

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

6 Section 1. Section 3720 of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes, amended October 19, 2010 (P.L.557,
8 No.81), is amended to read:

9 § 3720. Snow and ice [dislodged or falling from moving
10 vehicle].

11 (a) Duty to remove.--

12 (1) Any driver of a motor vehicle being operated on any
13 street or highway of this Commonwealth shall have an
14 affirmative duty to make all reasonable efforts to remove all
15 accumulated ice or snow from the motor vehicle, including the
16 hood, trunk and roof of the motor vehicle.

17 (2) Any driver of a motor vehicle who violates this
18 subsection may be stopped on a street or highway by a law

1 enforcement officer if the law enforcement officer believes
2 the accumulated ice or snow may pose a threat to persons or
3 property.

4 (3) Any person who violates this subsection shall be
5 subject to a fine of not less than \$25 nor more than \$75 for
6 each offense regardless of whether any snow or ice is
7 dislodged from the vehicle.

8 (b) Dislodged or fallen snow or ice.--When snow or ice is
9 dislodged or falls from a moving vehicle and strikes another
10 vehicle or pedestrian causing death or serious bodily injury,
11 the operator of the vehicle from which the snow or ice is
12 dislodged or falls shall be subject to a fine of not less than
13 \$200 nor more than [\$1,000] \$1,500 for each offense.

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