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INTRODUCED BY WASHINGTON, ARGALL, BREWSTER, SOLOBAY,
TARTAGLIONE, STACK AND BRUBAKER, JUNE 24, 2014

REFERRED TO URBAN AFFAIRS AND HOUSING, JUNE 24, 2014

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in neighborhood blight remediation and
3 revitalization, providing for notice to Department of
4 Transportation.

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

7 Section 1. Title 53 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
8 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

9 § 6115. Notice to Department of Transportation.

10 (a) Duty to report serious violation.--When there is a
11 serious violation on a property in a municipality, the governing
12 body of the municipality shall submit a report thereof to the
13 Department of Transportation if all of the following conditions
14 are satisfied:

15 (1) The person who owns the property has been convicted
16 of the serious violation.

17 (2) All appeals on the conviction have been exhausted.

18 (3) The person has taken no substantial corrective
19 action to remediate the serious violation.

1 (4) The conviction is the third such conviction for the
2 person on the property.

3 (b) Contents of report.--The report required under
4 subsection (a) shall include the full name and address of the
5 person who owns the property, a statement as to any prior
6 serious violations on the property and any other information
7 deemed necessary by the Department of Transportation.

8 (c) Departmental review.--

9 (1) After receipt of a report under subsection (a), the
10 Department of Transportation shall determine if the
11 conditions specified in subsection (a) are satisfied. In
12 making its determination, the department may consult with the
13 municipality's code enforcement officer or equivalent
14 official.

15 (2) If the department is satisfied that the conditions
16 are satisfied, the department shall suspend the operating
17 privileges of the person in accordance with subsection (d)
18 and provide notice of the suspension to the person as
19 provided by law.

20 (d) Period of license suspension.--The period of suspension
21 for a person who is subject to suspension of operating
22 privileges under subsection (c) shall be as follows:

23 (1) For a third serious violation, a 90-day period of
24 suspension.

25 (2) For a fourth or subsequent serious violation, an
26 additional 30-day period of suspension for each such serious
27 violation in excess of three.

28 (3) For a conviction under 18 Pa.C.S. § 6504 (relating
29 to public nuisances), a 90-day period of suspension.

30 (4) For a conviction under 18 Pa.C.S. § 7510 (relating

1 to municipal housing code avoidance), a 90-day period of
2 suspension.

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