THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1495 Session of 2015

INTRODUCED BY REESE, BENNINGHOFF, CAUSER, COHEN, D. COSTA, DIAMOND, GODSHALL, M. K. KELLER, MAHONEY, MILLARD, THOMAS AND ZIMMERMAN, AUGUST 13, 2015

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, AUGUST 13, 2015

AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the
- 2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in forfeitures, providing
- for Pennsylvania Game Commission forfeitures.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Title 42 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
- 7 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:
- 8 § 6803. Pennsylvania Game Commission forfeitures.
- 9 If the Pennsylvania Game Commission seized the property of an
- 10 individual who is suspected of violating a provision of 34
- 11 Pa.C.S. (relating to game) and the individual is found not
- 12 quilty of the violation, the individual may file a motion for
- 13 return of property under Rule 588 of the Pennsylvania Rules of
- 14 <u>Criminal Procedure before the court of common pleas. If the</u>
- 15 Pennsylvania Game Commission challenges the motion and loses the
- 16 challenge, the Pennsylvania Game Commission shall pay the
- 17 individual's court costs directly related to the motion for the
- 18 return of the seized property.

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