

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2589 Session of 2022

INTRODUCED BY MILLARD AND ROWE, MAY 11, 2022

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, MAY 11, 2022

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 1, 1945 (P.L.1242, No.428), entitled
 2 "An act relating to roads, streets, highways and bridges;
 3 amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws
 4 administered by the Secretary of Highways and by the
 5 Department of Highways relating thereto," in construction,
 6 improvement, maintenance and repair of State highways,
 7 further providing for signs, banners, etc., across or within
 8 legal limits of highway, penalty and abatement.

9 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

10 hereby enacts as follows:

11 Section 1. Section 425 of the act of June 1, 1945 (P.L.1242,
 12 No.428), known as the State Highway Law, is amended to read:

13 Section 425. Signs, Banners, etc., across or within Legal
 14 Limits of Highway; Penalty; Abatement.--(a) It shall be
 15 unlawful to place any sign, banner, or advertising matter of any
 16 kind whatsoever on or across any State highway or on or across
 17 any structure within the legal limits of any State highway
 18 without first having obtained the written consent of the
 19 department. Any person violating the provisions of this section
 20 shall, upon summary conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of
 21 not less than four dollars (\$4.00) nor more than twenty dollars

1 (\$20.00). All such fines shall be paid into the county treasury
2 to be used only for the construction or repair of public roads
3 or highways.

4 (b) Any such sign, banner, or advertising matter placed
5 without the consent of the department is hereby declared to be a
6 public nuisance, and may be abated by the department with or
7 without notice to the persons responsible for the placing
8 thereof.

9 (c) Any person who is denied written consent under
10 subsection (a) may appeal the denial as provided under 2 Pa.C.S.
11 (relating to administrative law and procedure).

12 (d) Any person convicted of a violation of subsection (a)
13 may appeal the conviction as provided by law.

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