THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL No. 2608 Session of 2022

INTRODUCED BY TOPPER, MAY 23, 2022

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, MAY 23, 2022

AN ACT

| 1 2 3 | Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in safety and anti-pollution equipment, further providing for tire equipment and traction surfaces. |
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| 4 | The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania |
| 5 | hereby enacts as follows: |
| 6 | Section 1. Section 4525(c) and (e) of Title 75 of the |
| 7 | Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read: |
| 8 | § 4525. Tire equipment and traction surfaces. |
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| 10 | (c) Ice grips and tire studsTires in which ice grips or |
| 11 | tire studs of wear resisting material have been installed which |
| 12 | provide resiliency upon contact with the road and which have |
| 13 | projections not exceeding two thirty-seconds of an inch beyond |
| 14 | the tread of the traction surface of the tire shall be permitted |
| 15 | between November 1 of each year and [April 15] <u>May 1</u> of the |
| 16 | following year. The Governor may by executive order extend the |
| 17 | time tires with ice grips or tire studs may be used when highway |
| 18 | conditions are such that such tires would be a safety factor in |
| 19 | traveling Commonwealth highways. The use of tires with ice grips |

or tire studs contrary to the provisions of this subsection
 shall be unlawful.

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4 (e) Penalty.--

5 (1) Any person violating the provisions of subsection 6 (c) shall be guilty of a summary offense and, upon conviction 7 thereof, shall be sentenced to pay a fine as indicated in 8 paragraph (2) and, in default of payment thereof, shall 9 undergo imprisonment for not more than 30 days.

10 (2) Fines for violation of subsection (c) relating to 11 the period of use of ice grips or tire studs shall be 12 determined from the following chart based on the period of 13 unauthorized use:

| 14 | [April 16] <u>May 2</u> to May 31 | \$35 |
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| 15 | June 1 to June 30 | 45 |
| 16 | July 1 to July 31 | 55 |
| 17 | August 1 to August 31 | 55 |
| 18 | September 1 to September 30 | 55 |
| 19 | October 1 to October 31 | 55 |

(3) Fines for any other violation of subsection (c)
shall be determined according to the chart in paragraph (2)
except that fines for violations occurring between November 1
to [April 15] <u>May 1</u> shall be \$10.

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

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