
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY KAZEEM, SANCHEZ, HOHENSTEIN, HILL-EVANS, HANBIDGE,
GIRAL, CERRATO, CIRESI, MADDEN, JAMES, WARREN, RABB, KINKEAD,
CONKLIN AND KHAN, MARCH 27, 2023

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, MARCH 27, 2023

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, in penalties and disposition of fines, further
3 providing for inability to pay fine and costs.

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

6 Section 1. Section 6504 of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

8 § 6504. Inability to pay fine and costs.

9 (a) Order for installment payments.--Upon plea and proof
10 that a person is [unable] without the financial means to pay any
11 fine and costs imposed under this title, a court may, in
12 accordance with 42 Pa.C.S. § 9758 (relating to fine), order
13 payment of the fine and costs in installments and shall fix the
14 amounts, times and manner of payment.

15 (b) Imprisonment for nonpayment.--Any person who does not
16 comply with an order entered under this section may be
17 imprisoned for a number of days equal to one day for each \$40 of
18 the unpaid balance of the fine and costs.

1 (c) Community service.--Upon plea and proof that a person is
2 without the financial means to pay a fine and costs imposed
3 under this title, a court may, in accordance with 42 Pa.C.S. §
4 9730 (relating to payment of court costs, restitution and
5 finer), order the performance of a reasonable period of
6 community service. Court-ordered community service may be
7 imposed under this subsection in lieu of payment of up to 50% of
8 the fine and costs originally imposed. The court ordering the
9 community service shall fix the duration, time and manner of the
10 performance of community service.

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