## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 2130 Session of 2019

INTRODUCED BY MALAGARI, KINSEY, FREEMAN, YOUNGBLOOD, HILL-EVANS, STAATS, CIRESI, DEASY, FRANKEL, SCHWEYER, HOWARD, ROEBUCK, JOZWIAK, JOHNSON-HARRELL, KORTZ, HARKINS, SANCHEZ AND COOK, DECEMBER 16, 2019

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, DECEMBER 16, 2019

## AN ACT

- Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
  Statutes, in general provisions, further providing for
  definitions; in operation of vehicles, further providing for
  traffic-control signals and for pedestrian-control signals;
  and, in special vehicles and pedestrians, further providing
  for right-of-way of pedestrians in crosswalks.

  The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

  hereby enacts as follows:
- 9 Section 1. Section 102 of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania
- 10 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a definition to read:
- 11 § 102. Definitions.
- 12 Subject to additional definitions contained in subsequent
- 13 provisions of this title which are applicable to specific
- 14 provisions of this title, the following words and phrases when
- 15 used in this title shall have, unless the context clearly
- 16 indicates otherwise, the meanings given to them in this section:
- 17 \* \* \*
- 18 "Half of the roadway." All traffic lanes conveying traffic
- 19 in one direction of travel and the entire width of a one-way

- 1 <u>roadway.</u>
- 2 \* \* \*
- 3 Section 2. Section 3112(a) of Title 75 is amended by adding
- 4 a paragraph and the section is amended by adding a subsection to
- 5 read:
- 6 § 3112. Traffic-control signals.
- 7 (a) General rule. -- Whenever traffic is controlled by
- 8 traffic-control signals exhibiting different colored lights, or
- 9 colored lighted arrows, successively one at a time or in
- 10 combination, only the colors green, red and yellow shall be
- 11 used, except for special pedestrian signals carrying a word
- 12 legend, and the lights shall indicate and apply to drivers of
- 13 vehicles and pedestrians as follows:
- 14 \* \* \*
- 15 (4) Pedestrians lawfully within intersection or adjacent
- 16 <u>crosswalk.--The driver of a vehicle required to yield the</u>
- 17 right-of-way to pedestrians lawfully within the intersection
- or an adjacent crosswalk shall stop and remain stopped for a
- 19 pedestrian crossing a roadway at a crosswalk when the
- 20 pedestrian is upon, or within one lane of, the half of the
- 21 roadway upon which the vehicle is traveling or onto which it
- is turning.
- 23 \* \* \*
- 24 (d) Penalties. -- A driver of a vehicle who violates this
- 25 section commits a summary offense and shall, upon conviction, be
- 26 sentenced to pay:
- 27 (1) Except as set forth under paragraph (2), a fine of
- 28 \$50.
- 29 (2) For a violation of subsection (a), a fine of not
- less than \$200 if the violation occurred in a school zone as

- 1 <u>defined and established under regulations of the department.</u>
- 2 Section 3. Section 3113(c) of Title 75 is amended and the
- 3 section is amended by adding a subsection to read:
- 4 § 3113. Pedestrian-control signals.
- 5 \* \* \*
- 6 (a.1) Duty of driver.--The driver of a vehicle required to
- 7 yield the right-of-way to a pedestrian under subsection (a) (1),
- 8 (3) or (4) shall stop and remain stopped to allow a pedestrian
- 9 to cross the roadway within a crosswalk when the pedestrian is
- 10 upon, or within one lane of, the half of the roadway upon which
- 11 the vehicle is traveling or onto which it is turning.
- 12 \* \* \*
- 13 (c) Penalties.--[The driver of a vehicle who violates
- 14 subsection (a) commits a summary offense and, upon conviction,
- 15 shall be sentenced to pay a fine of \$50. This subsection]  $\underline{A}$
- 16 driver of a vehicle who violates this section commits a summary
- 17 offense and shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay:
- (1) Except as set forth under paragraph (2), a fine of
- 19 \$50.
- 20 (2) For a violation of subsection (a), a fine of not
- 21 less than \$200 if the violation occurred in a school zone as
- defined and established under regulations of the department.
- 23 (d) Applicability. -- Subsection (c) shall not apply to those
- 24 municipalities that establish a summary offense as authorized
- 25 under subsection (b) with a fine in excess of \$50.
- 26 Section 4. Section 3542(a) and (e) of Title 75 are amended
- 27 to read:
- 28 § 3542. Right-of-way of pedestrians in crosswalks.
- 29 (a) General rule. -- When traffic-control signals are not in
- 30 place or not in operation, the driver of a vehicle shall yield

- 1 the right-of-way to a pedestrian crossing the roadway within any
- 2 marked crosswalk or within any unmarked crosswalk at an
- 3 intersection. The driver of a vehicle shall stop and remain
- 4 stopped to allow a pedestrian to cross the roadway within a
- 5 <u>marked crosswalk or within an unmarked crosswalk at an</u>
- 6 <u>intersection when the pedestrian is upon</u>, or within one lane of,
- 7 the half of the roadway upon which the vehicle is traveling or
- 8 onto which it is turning.
- 9 \* \* \*
- 10 (e) Penalties.--[The driver of a vehicle who violates
- 11 subsection (a) commits a summary offense and shall, upon
- 12 conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of \$50.] A driver of a
- 13 <u>vehicle who violates this section commits a summary offense and</u>
- 14 <u>shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay:</u>
- 15 (1) Except as set forth under paragraph (2), a fine of
- 16 <u>\$50.</u>
- 17 (2) For a violation of subsection (a), a fine of not
- 18 less than \$200 if the violation occurred in a school zone as
- defined and established under regulations of the department.
- 20 Section 5. This act shall take effect in 60 days.