THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 219

Session of 2015

INTRODUCED BY REGAN, STEPHENS, BAKER, D. COSTA, MACKENZIE, MILLARD, LONGIETTI, JAMES, KNOWLES, KAUFFMAN, A. HARRIS, DIAMOND, READSHAW, MAJOR, MURT AND COHEN, JANUARY 26, 2015

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, JANUARY 26, 2015

AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
- 2 Consolidated Statutes, in victim and witness intimidation,
- further providing for retaliation against witness, victim or
- 4 party.
- 5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 6 hereby enacts as follows:
- 7 Section 1. Section 4953(b) of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania
- 8 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:
- 9 § 4953. Retaliation against witness, victim or party.
- 10 * * *
- 11 (b) Grading.--The offense is a felony of the third degree if
- 12 the retaliation is accomplished by any of the means specified in
- 13 section 4952(b)(1) [through (5)] (relating to intimidation of
- 14 witnesses or victims). Otherwise the offense is a misdemeanor of
- 15 the second degree.
- 16 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.