

No. 1978-224

## AN ACT

HB 2305

Amending the act of August 21, 1953 (P.L.1273, No.361), entitled "An act to regulate the business of private detectives, investigators and watch, guard, or patrol agencies, and the licensing thereof in each county; providing penalties," providing criminal penalties for engaging in the business of private detective without first obtaining a license.

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

Section 1. The act of August 21, 1953 (P.L.1273, No.361), known as "The Private Detective Act of 1953," is amended by adding a section to read:

***Section 16.1. Penalty for Unlicensed Acts.—Any person in violation of the provisions of section 3(a) by reason of engaging in the private detective business without a license, shall upon conviction thereof, be guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree.***

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

APPROVED—The 4th day of October, A. D. 1978.

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