

No. 1980-19

## AN ACT

HB 268

Establishing the responsibilities and liabilities of ski area operators and skiers in the sport of skiing.

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

**Section 1. Short title.**

This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Skiing Responsibility Act."

**Section 2. Legislative purpose.**

The General Assembly finds that the sport of downhill skiing is practiced by a large number of citizens of Pennsylvania and also attracts to Pennsylvania large numbers of nonresidents significantly contributing to the economy of Pennsylvania. It is recognized that as in some other sports, there are inherent risks in the sport of downhill skiing.

**Section 3. Voluntary assumption of risk.**

The doctrine of voluntary assumption of risk as it applies to downhill skiing injuries and damages has not been modified by 42 Pa.C.S. § 7102 (relating to comparative negligence).

**Section 4. Effective date.**

This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 27th day of March, A. D. 1980.

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