

No. 357

## AN ACT

Relating to criminal prosecutions; limiting the effect of demurrers by defendants at the close of the cases of the Commonwealth.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That hereafter in all criminal prosecutions, the action of the defendant at the close of the Commonwealth's case in demurring to the evidence submitted by the Commonwealth, shall not be deemed to be an admission of the facts which the evidence tends to prove or the inferences reasonably deductible therefrom except for the purpose of deciding upon such demurrer, and if the court shall decide against the defendant on such demurrer, such decision shall be deemed interlocutory only, and the case shall proceed as if such demurrer had not been made.

Demurrers in  
criminal cases.

APPROVED—The 5th day of June, A. D. 1937.

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To amend section six of the act, approved the twenty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one (Pamphlet Laws, one hundred forty-nine), entitled "An act imposing a State tax, payable by those herein defined as distributors, on liquid fuels used or sold and delivered within the Commonwealth, which are ordinarily, practically, and commercially usable in internal combustion engines for the generation of power; providing for the collection and lien of the tax, and the distribution and use of the proceeds thereof; requiring such distributors to secure permits, to file corporate surety bonds and reports, and to retain certain records; imposing duties on retail dealers, common carriers, county commissioners, and such distributors; providing for rewards; imposing certain costs on counties; conferring powers and imposing duties on certain State officers and departments; providing for refunds; imposing penalties; and making an appropriation," by making further provision regarding the discount allowed to distributors if reports are filed and taxes paid on time.

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Section 6, act of  
May 21, 1931  
(P. L. 149),  
amended.