

No. 46

AN ACT

HB 1063

Amending the act of June 24, 1939 (P. L. 872), entitled "An act to consolidate, amend and revise the penal laws of the Commonwealth," increasing penalties for giving, turning in, raising or causing to be given, raised or turned in a false alarm of fire; making it a misdemeanor when death, injury or property damage occurs as a result thereof and establishing penalties.

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

Section 1. Section 665, act of June 24, 1939 (P. L. 872), known as "The Penal Code," is amended to read:

Section 665. False Fire Alarm.—(a) Whoever knowingly gives, turns in, or raises, or causes to be given or raised or turned in, a false alarm of fire by ringing of fire-bells or gives any other common or recognized alarm of fire, is guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be sentenced to pay a fine *of not less than two hundred dollars (\$200) and not exceeding [five hundred dollars (\$500)] one thousand dollars (\$1,000)*, or to undergo imprisonment not exceeding two (2) years, or both.

(b) *Whoever knowingly gives, turns in or raises, or causes to be given or raised or turned in, a false alarm of fire by ringing of fire-bells or gives any other common or recognized alarm of fire, the result of which causes death, injury or property damage to a person or equipment responding to such false alarm, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than five hundred dollars (\$500) and not exceeding two thousand dollars (\$2,000), or to undergo imprisonment for a term not exceeding three (3) years, or both.*

Section 2. All acts and parts of acts, general, special and local, are repealed in so far as they are inconsistent herewith.

Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 30th day of June, A. D. 1969.

RAYMOND P. SHAFER

The foregoing is a true and correct copy of Act of the General Assembly No. 46.



Secretary of the Commonwealth.