No. 1978-172

AN ACT

HB 2138

Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, prohibiting deceptive business practices in the sale of kosher food products.

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

Section 1. Title 18, act of November 25, 1970 (P.L.707, No.230), known as the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, added December 6, 1972 (P.L.1482, No.334), is amended by adding a section to read: § 4107.1. Deception relating to kosher food products.

(a) Offense defined.—A person commits a misdemeanor of the third degree if in the course of business, he knowingly sells or exposes for sale any food product represented as kosher or kosher style when such food product is not kosher, said representation having been made orally, in writing or by display on the premises of such sign, mark, insignia or simulation reasonably calculated to induce an individual to believe that said food product is kosher.

(b) Definitions.—As used in this section the following words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this subsection:

"Food product." Any article whether in raw or prepared form which is utilized in human consumption.

"Kosher" or "kosher style." A food product having been prepared, processed, manufactured, maintained and vended in accordance with the requisites of traditional Jewish law.

Section 2. This act shall take effect in 15 days.

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

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