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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE BILL

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania  
2 Consolidated Statutes, in firearms and other dangerous  
3 articles, providing for liability insurance for firearms.

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

6 Section 1. Title 18 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
7 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

8 § 6128. Liability insurance for firearms.

9 (a) General rule.--A person who owns a firearm shall obtain  
10 and continuously maintain a policy of liability insurance in an  
11 amount not less than \$100,000 specifically covering any damages  
12 that result from any acts involving the use of the firearm while  
13 the firearm is owned by the person.

14 (b) Current firearm owners.--Within 30 days of the effective  
15 date of this subsection, a person who owns a firearm shall  
16 obtain the liability insurance required under subsection (a).

17 (c) Loss or theft of firearm.--For purposes of this section,  
18 a person shall be deemed to be the owner of a firearm if the  
19 firearm is lost or stolen until such time as the loss or theft

1 is reported to the municipal police of the jurisdiction in which  
2 the loss or theft is believed to have occurred or the  
3 Pennsylvania State Police.

4 (d) Penalty.--A person who violates this section commits a  
5 summary offense and shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay  
6 a fine not exceeding \$300 or to imprisonment for not more than  
7 90 days.

8 (e) Applicability.--This section does not apply to a law  
9 enforcement officer authorized to carry a firearm.

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