
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1860 Session of
2017

INTRODUCED BY FARRY, BOBACK, WARD, DRISCOLL, BAKER, WATSON,
MILLARD, CHARLTON, ROEBUCK, HILL-EVANS, GILLEN AND ROZZI,
OCTOBER 16, 2017

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, OCTOBER 16, 2017

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in assault, further providing for
3 neglect of care-dependent person.

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

6 Section 1. Section 2713(a) and (b)(2) and (4) of Title 18 of
7 the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read:

8 § 2713. Neglect of care-dependent person.

9 (a) Offense defined.--A caretaker is guilty of neglect of a
10 care-dependent person if he:

11 (1) Intentionally, knowingly or recklessly causes bodily
12 injury [or], serious bodily injury or death by failing to
13 provide treatment, care, goods or services necessary to
14 preserve the health, safety or welfare of a care-dependent
15 person for whom he is responsible to provide care.

16 (2) Intentionally or knowingly uses a physical restraint
17 or chemical restraint or medication on a care-dependent
18 person, or isolates a care-dependent person contrary to law

1 or regulation, such that bodily injury [or], serious bodily
2 injury or death results.

3 (b) Penalty.--

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5 (2) A violation of subsection (a)(1) constitutes a
6 felony of the first degree if the victim suffers serious
7 bodily injury or death.

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9 (4) A violation of subsection (a)(2) constitutes a
10 felony of the first degree if the victim suffers serious
11 bodily injury or death.

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