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INTRODUCED BY CRUZ, BURGOS, KORTZ, HILL-EVANS AND KEEFER,
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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, JANUARY 28, 2019

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, in enforcement, further providing for investigation
3 by police officers.

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

6 Section 1. Section 6308(b) of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

8 § 6308. Investigation by police officers.

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10 (b) Authority of police officer.--

11 (1) Whenever a police officer is engaged in a systematic
12 program of checking vehicles or drivers or has reasonable
13 suspicion that a violation of this title is occurring or has
14 occurred, he may stop a vehicle, upon request or signal, for
15 the purpose of checking the vehicle's registration, proof of
16 financial responsibility, vehicle identification number or
17 engine number or the driver's license, or to secure such
18 other information as the officer may reasonably believe to be

1 necessary to enforce the provisions of this title.

2 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (1), no
3 police officer who stops a vehicle in accordance with
4 paragraph (1) may use a data extraction device to secure
5 information from an electronic device in the possession of
6 the driver or passenger in the vehicle.

7 (3) For purposes of this subsection, the term "data
8 extraction device" means a tool used to extract data stored
9 in a telecommunications device, including, but not limited
10 to, the following data: call history, text messages,
11 contacts, images, videos, geotags, voicemails, voice
12 recordings, source messaging service (SMS) messages,
13 multimedia messaging service (MMS) messages or subscriber
14 identification module (SIM) data.

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