

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2723 Session of 2022

INTRODUCED BY RABB, GALLOWAY, SCHLOSSBERG, DELLOSO, HOHENSTEIN,
HILL-EVANS, INNAMORATO, KENYATTA, LEE AND CEPHAS,
JULY 1, 2022

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, JULY 1, 2022

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in theft and related offenses, further
3 providing for the offense of theft of leased property.

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

6 Section 1. Section 3932 of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subsection to read:
8 § 3932. Theft of leased property.

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10 (c.1) Defense.--It is a defense to the offense of theft of
11 leased property that the lessor, or any person on behalf of the
12 lessor, has made payments in connection with the lease of such
13 property which exceed the retail value of the property stated
14 in the contract. If the retail value of the property is not
15 stated in the contract, the value of the leased property shall
16 be deemed not to exceed \$50. A court may review the amount set
17 forth as retail value and, if it finds the value is not
18 reasonable, it shall set the retail value at \$50 to determine if

1 a defense under this section applies.

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