

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 483 Session of 2019

INTRODUCED BY TARTAGLIONE, FARNESE, SCHWANK, SANTARSIERO AND LEACH, MARCH 28, 2019

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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 report of theft or loss of firearm.

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 § 6115.1. Report of theft or loss of firearm.

9 (a) Duty to report.--An owner or other person lawfully in  
 10 possession of a firearm who suffers the loss or theft of a  
 11 firearm shall within 24 hours of the discovery of the loss or  
 12 theft report the facts and circumstances of the loss or theft to  
 13 the police department having jurisdiction where the loss or  
 14 theft occurred. The person making the report shall provide the  
 15 following information:

16 (1) Name and permanent address of the owner.

17 (2) Name of the manufacturer and importer, if  
 18 applicable.

- 1           (3) Model.  
2           (4) Type of action.  
3           (5) Caliber or gauge.  
4           (6) Serial number.  
5           (7) Any other information deemed necessary by the  
6           officer or police department receiving the report.

7           (b) Sharing of information.--When a person reports the loss  
8           or theft of a firearm to a police department, the officer or  
9           department receiving the report shall forward notice of the loss  
10           or theft with the information obtained under subsection (a) to  
11           the Pennsylvania State Police.

12           (c) Pennsylvania State Police.--The Pennsylvania State  
13           Police shall receive, collect and file the information forwarded  
14           to it under subsection (a). The Pennsylvania State Police shall  
15           cooperate, and undertake to furnish or make the information  
16           available to all law enforcement agencies in this Commonwealth,  
17           for the purpose of coordinating law enforcement efforts to  
18           locate the firearms.

19           (d) Penalty.--Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a  
20           person who violates subsection (a) commits a summary offense  
21           punishable by a fine of not more than \$500.

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