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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, NOVEMBER 8, 2023

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of December 20, 1982 (P.L.1404, No.325),
2 entitled "An act regulating self-service storage and
3 providing for owners' liens and the enforcement thereof,"
4 further providing for advertisement of sale.

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

7 Section 1. Section 7 of the act of December 20, 1982
8 (P.L.1404, No.325), known as the Self-Service Storage Facility
9 Act, is amended by adding subsections to read:

10 Section 7. Advertisement of sale.

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12 (d) Redundant advertisement permitted.--When an owner is
13 required to advertise in a newspaper of general circulation
14 under subsection (a), the owner may publish a redundant
15 advertisement on a publicly accessible Internet website that
16 regularly advertises or conducts online sales of personal
17 property. The newspaper advertisement under this subsection
18 satisfies the requirement to advertise on a publicly accessible

1 Internet website under subsection (a) (2).

2 (e) Effect of redundant advertisement.--If the newspaper
3 advertisement under subsection (a) fails to be timely published
4 by the newspaper, the redundant advertisement under subsection
5 (d) shall be valid on the date that the advertisement is
6 published on the publicly accessible Internet website that
7 regularly advertises or conducts online sales of personal
8 property.

9 (f) Proof of publication.--An owner that sells or otherwise
10 disposes of personal property under a redundant advertisement
11 shall retain a copy of the advertisement provided to the
12 newspaper and proof that the owner purchased the advertisement
13 in a timely fashion. Proof shall consist of a receipt or any
14 other similar communication showing the amount paid and the date
15 of the purchase. The owner shall retain a copy of the
16 advertisement and proof for one year following the date of the
17 sale or other disposition.

18 (g) Definitions.--As used in this section, the following
19 words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this
20 subsection unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

21 "Redundant advertisement." A copy of the information
22 submitted to a newspaper of general circulation under this
23 section to be used as an advertisement in accordance with this
24 section.

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