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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE BILL

No. 612 Session of  
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FONTANA, KASUNIC, BREWSTER, SOLOBAY, COSTA, WASHINGTON AND  
TARTAGLIONE, MARCH 6, 2013

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REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, MARCH 6, 2013

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania  
2 Consolidated Statutes, in forgery and fraudulent practices,  
3 providing for an offense relating to prescriptions and  
4 prescription drugs.

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

7 Section 1. Title 18 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
8 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

9 § 4121. Prescriptions and prescription drugs.

10 (a) Offense defined.--A person commits a felony of the third  
11 degree if he acquires or attempts to acquire a prescription or  
12 prescription order by knowingly misrepresenting or knowingly  
13 withholding information from a practitioner for the sole purpose  
14 of procuring controlled substances for abuse or sale.

15 (b) Prima facie evidence of intent.--Prima facie evidence of  
16 an intent to violate this section shall include visits by a  
17 person to multiple doctors or practitioners with the intent of  
18 procuring controlled substances for abuse or sale.

1       (c) Definitions.--The words and phrases used in this section  
2 shall have the same meanings given to them in the act of April  
3 14, 1972 (P.L.233, No.64), known as The Controlled Substance,  
4 Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act.

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