



SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA BILL SUMMARY

House Bill 138 Printer's No. 1558

Prime Sponsor: Farry
Committee: Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness

SYNOPSIS:

HB 138 would amend Title 35 (Health & Safety) by adding a new section authorizing volunteer first responder organizations to solicit contributions along a highway or roadway.

SUMMARY:

HB 138 would:

- *Requires that written permission be obtained from the municipality or PENNDOT as to the roadway or highway on which a first responder organization seeks to solicit donations.
- *Establishes that solicitations may only be conducted at a controlled intersection and in accordance with any requirements or restrictions provided by the municipality or PENNDOT.
- *Requires that an intersection have a stop sign or traffic signal.
- *Provides that solicitations must be conducted on behalf of or by a bona fide, duly constituted first responder organization.
- *Requires participants who solicit on behalf of a first responder organization be covered under that organization's liability and Workers' Compensation insurance.
- *Requires solicitors to be accompanied at all times by an individual trained in first aid and a first aid kit must be present at all times.
- *Requires participants to wear PENNDOT approved traffic safety vests.

Effective Date: 60 Days.

BILL HISTORY:

HB 138 was passed by the House 190-1. In 2013-14, HB 2349 was unanimously passed by the House but was not considered in the Senate. In 2005-06, SB 1330 was passed by the Senate 49-1.

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