THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1618 Session of 2019

INTRODUCED BY WHITE, JOHNSON-HARRELL, HARRIS AND SOLOMON, JUNE 11, 2019

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, JUNE 11, 2019

AN ACT

Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in firearms and other dangerous 2 articles, further providing for persons not to possess, use, 3 manufacture, control, sell or transfer firearms and for sale 4 or transfer of firearms. 6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 7 hereby enacts as follows: 8 Section 1. Sections 6105 and 6111 of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended by adding a 10 subsection to read: § 6105. Persons not to possess, use, manufacture, control, sell 11 12 or transfer firearms. 13 14 (d.1) Concurrent jurisdiction to prosecute. -- The following 15 apply: 16 (1) In addition to the authority conferred upon the 17 Attorney General by the act of October 15, 1980 (P.L.950, 18 No.164), known as the Commonwealth Attorneys Act, the Attorney General shall have the authority to investigate and 19

- 1 <u>institute criminal proceedings for a violation of this</u>
- 2 section.
- 3 (2) No person charged with a violation of this section
- 4 by the Attorney General shall have standing to challenge the
- 5 <u>authority of the Attorney General to prosecute the case, and,</u>
- if any such challenge is made, the challenge shall be
- 7 dismissed and no relief shall be available in the courts of
- 8 this Commonwealth to the person making the challenge.
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- 10 § 6111. Sale or transfer of firearms.
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- 27 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.