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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

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REFERRED TO SENATE LABOR AND INDUSTRY COMMITTEE

**Requiring a Permit to Purchase and Deploy Consumer
Fireworks in Pennsylvania**

This legislation amends Act of Jul. 11, 2022, P.L. 762, No. 74 to require a permit for individuals purchasing and deploying consumer fireworks.

The term "consumer fireworks" includes any combustible or explosive composition or any substance or combination of substances which is intended to produce visible or audible effects by combustion, is suitable for use by the public, complies with the construction, performance, composition and labeling requirements promulgated by the Consumer Products Safety Commission in 16 CFR (relating to commercial practices) or any successor regulation and complies with the provisions for "consumer fireworks".

An individual found violating this act shall be subject to a minimum fine of \$2,500 and up to 1 year in prison.

Individuals interested in purchasing fireworks shall acquire a license permit from the municipality in which they plan to deploy the fireworks and the following shall apply:

- Training Course – Individuals seeking a permit must complete a training course certified by their local fire department regarding safe handling and operation of fireworks. This course shall be completed in-person.
- Fees – The permit fee shall be determined by the issuing municipality and be paid for by the individual applying for the permit. The proceeds of these fees will be given directly to the fire department administering the required training course.