

No. 1998-145

## AN ACT

SB 1373

Amending Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, making revisions and repeals relating to the Motor Vehicle Chop Shop and Illegally Obtained and Altered Property Act.

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

Section 1. Section 5708 of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a paragraph to read:

§ 5708. Order authorizing interception of wire, electronic or oral communications.

The Attorney General, or, during the absence or incapacity of the Attorney General, a deputy attorney general designated in writing by the Attorney General, or the district attorney or, during the absence or incapacity of the district attorney, an assistant district attorney designated in writing by the district attorney of the county wherein the interception is to be made, may make written application to any Superior Court judge for an order authorizing the interception of a wire, electronic or oral communication by the investigative or law enforcement officers or agency having responsibility for an investigation involving suspected criminal activities when such interception may provide evidence of the commission of any of the following offenses, or may provide evidence aiding in the apprehension of the perpetrator or perpetrators of any of the following offenses:

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***(7) Under the act of November 24, 1998 (P.L.874, No.110), known as the Motor Vehicle Chop Shop and Illegally Obtained and Altered Property Act.***

Section 2. Section 5552(b) of Title 42 is amended by adding a paragraph to read:

§ 5552. Other offenses.

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(b) Major offenses.—A prosecution for any of the following offenses must be commenced within five years after it is committed:

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***(5) Under the act of November 24, 1998 (P.L.874, No.110), known as the Motor Vehicle Chop Shop and Illegally Obtained and Altered Property Act.***

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Section 3. The provisions of 75 Pa.C.S. §§ 7102 and 7103 are repealed.

Section 4. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

APPROVED—The 21st day of December, A.D. 1998.

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