

HOUSE BILL NO. 429

INTRODUCED BY HANNAH, ADDY

IN THE HOUSE

January 21, 1983	Introduced and referred to Committee on Judiciary.
February 3, 1983	Committee recommend bill do pass. Report adopted.
February 4, 1983	Bill printed and placed on members' desks.
February 5, 1983	Second reading, do pass.
February 7, 1983	Considered correctly engrossed.
February 8, 1983	Third reading, passed. Transmitted to Senate.

IN THE SENATE

February 9, 1983	Introduced and referred to Committee on Judiciary.
March 12, 1983	Committee recommend bill be concurred in as amended. Report adopted.
March 15, 1983	Second reading, concurred in.
March 17, 1983	Third reading, concurred in. Ayes, 45; Noes, 3.

IN THE HOUSE

March 17, 1983	Returned to House with amendments.
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March 31, 1983

Second reading, amendments  
not concurred in.

On motion, Conference  
Committee requested and  
appointed.

April 14, 1983

Rules suspended to allow  
motion to reconsider.

On motion, previous action  
reconsidered.

On motion, Conference  
Committee dissolved.

On motion, Senate amendments  
placed on second reading the  
85th Legislative Day.

April 15, 1983

Second reading, amendments  
concurred in.

Third reading, amendments  
concurred in.

Sent to enrolling.

Reported correctly enrolled.

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THIRD READING

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March 12, 1983

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT  
(Judiciary)

That House Bill No. 429 be amended as follows:

1. Title, line 4.

Following: "TO"

Insert: "ALLOW CITIES AND TOWNS TO"

2. Page 1, line 15.

Following: "\$25"

Strike: remainder of line 15 through "imprisonment" on line 17.

Insert: "\$25 or such greater fine or a term of imprisonment, or both,  
as the town or city may impose"

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