



|| SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA  
|| BILL SUMMARY

**Senate Bill 485**  
**Printer's No. 425**

Prime Sponsor: Senator Scarnati  
Committee: Judiciary

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**SYNOPSIS:**

This bill amends Section 4913 of Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) to increase the grading of the offense of impersonating a doctor of medicine.

**SUMMARY:**

This bill provides that if a person impersonates a doctor of medicine and provides medical advice or treatment to another as a patient, then that person commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, regardless of whether the patient was harmed. Currently, this conduct gives rise to a misdemeanor of the second degree.

Effective Date: This bill is effective in sixty days.

**BILL HISTORY:**

None.

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