

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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1975

INTRODUCED BY YAHNER, W. W. WILT AND HASKELL, JUNE 11, 1975

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AN ACT

1 Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), entitled
2 "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the
3 executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the
4 Executive Department thereof and the administrative
5 departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof,
6 including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or
7 Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or
8 authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative
9 departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and
10 duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative
11 officers, and of the several administrative departments,
12 boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the
13 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive
14 and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of
15 certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and
16 other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards,
17 and commissions; and prescribing the manner in which the
18 number and compensation of the deputies and all other
19 assistants and employes of certain departments, boards, and
20 commissions shall be determined," providing for certification
21 of certain laboratories.

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

24 Section 1. The act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known
25 as "The Administrative Code of 1929," is amended by adding a
26 section to read:

27 Section 1926-A. Laboratories.--The Department of
28 Environmental Resources shall have the power and its duty shall

1 be:

2 (1) To require that analytical test results and reports
3 which are submitted to the department be performed only by
4 laboratories which meet standards established by the
5 Environmental Quality Board by rule or regulation, which will
6 insure that the data submitted is reliable and adequate to meet
7 the needs of the department. Such standards may include, but are
8 not limited to, standards for analytical methods, laboratory
9 procedures, equipment, quality control, staffing, records,
10 reports and other output, and any other matters that may affect
11 the quality of laboratory performance.

12 (2) To periodically inspect and certify laboratories that
13 meet the standards established under clause (1) and for this
14 purpose to charge a reasonable fee not greater than the
15 administrative cost of providing this service, according to
16 rules and regulations established by the Environmental Quality
17 Board. Fees collected under this section shall be deposited in
18 the special fund known as "The Clean Water Fund," established
19 pursuant to the act of June 22, 1937 (P.L.1987, No.394), known
20 as "The Clean Streams Law," to be used in the manner provided
21 therein.

22 Section 2. The sum of \$120,000, or as much thereof as may be
23 necessary, is hereby appropriated to the Department of
24 Environmental Resources for the fiscal year July 1, 1975 to June
25 30, 1976, for the purpose of this act.

26 Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.