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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON MINES AND ENERGY MANAGEMENT,
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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for emergency
3 preparedness planning.

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

6 Section 1. Title 35, act of November 25, 1970 (P.L.707,
7 No.230), known as the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, is
8 amended by adding sections to read:

9 § 7315. Direct communications system.

10 To insure instant and continuous availability of direct
11 communications in case of emergency, the agency shall:

12 (1) Establish a 24-hour, direct telephone communications
13 system between the agency and each county emergency
14 management organization.

15 (2) Establish a 24-hour, direct telephone communications
16 system between the agency and each operating nuclear power
17 plant in the Commonwealth.

1 (3) Assist each county emergency preparedness
2 organization establish a communications system between the
3 school districts and the county organization or in the case
4 of multicounty school districts, between the school district
5 and the appropriate county organization as determined by the
6 agency.

7 § 7505. Coordinated disaster emergency management plans.

8 (a) Plans of political subdivisions.--Pursuant to this
9 subchapter, disaster emergency management plans prepared in
10 accordance with section 7503(1) (relating to powers and duties
11 of political subdivisions) shall, except for counties, be
12 submitted to the respective county emergency management
13 organizations.

14 (b) County plans.--Upon receipt of the plans submitted under
15 subsection (a), counties shall prepare a county emergency
16 management plan and submit such plan to the agency for inclusion
17 in the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Plan as provided in
18 section 7313 (relating to powers and duties).

19 Section 2. (a) This act shall take effect immediately.

20 (b) Plans of political subdivisions, other than counties,
21 shall be prepared and submitted to the respective county
22 emergency management organizations, pursuant to 35 Pa.C.S. §
23 7505(a), not later than 120 days from the date of final
24 enactment of this amendatory act.

25 (c) County plans shall be prepared and submitted to the
26 agency, pursuant to 35 Pa.C.S. § 7505(b), not later than six
27 months from the date of final enactment of this amendatory act.