

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 650

Session of  
1987

INTRODUCED BY LETTERMAN AND PETRONE, MARCH 9, 1987

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON CONSERVATION, MARCH 9, 1987

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of January 24, 1966 (1965 P.L.1535, No.537),  
2 entitled, as amended, "An act providing for the planning and  
3 regulation of community sewage systems and individual sewage  
4 systems; requiring municipalities to submit plans for systems  
5 in their jurisdiction; authorizing grants; requiring permits  
6 for persons installing such systems; requiring disclosure  
7 statements in certain land sale contracts; authorizing the  
8 Department of Environmental Resources to adopt and administer  
9 rules, regulations, standards and procedures; creating an  
10 advisory committee; providing remedies and prescribing  
11 penalties," further providing for the number of sewage  
12 enforcement officers.

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

15 Section 1. Section 8(b)(1) of the act of January 24, 1966  
16 (1965 P.L.1535, No.537), known as the Pennsylvania Sewage  
17 Facilities Act, amended July 22, 1974 (P.L.621, No.208), is  
18 amended to read:

19 Section 8. Powers and Duties of Local Agencies.--\* \* \*

20 (b) Each local agency in addition to the powers and duties  
21 conferred upon it by existing law shall have the power and the  
22 duty:

1       (1) To employ at least two sewage enforcement officers to  
2 administer the provisions of section 7 of this act in accordance  
3 with the rules and regulations of the department. No person  
4 shall be employed as a sewage enforcement officer unless said  
5 person has been certified "qualified" by the department pursuant  
6 to standards set by the Environmental Quality Board. No person  
7 shall be employed as a sewage enforcement officer to administer  
8 the provisions of section 7 of this act with respect to a  
9 community sewage system for which he was or is the contractor.  
10 In such a case, the local agency shall employ a certified  
11 "qualified" enforcement officer from an adjoining local agency  
12 to administer the provisions of section 7 of this act with  
13 respect to the particular community sewage system.

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15       Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.