THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED BY FOSTER, RUDY, MORRIS, SIRIANNI, SHOWERS, JOHNSON, SEMMEL, WASS, BOWSER, SCHEETZ, MOWERY AND HALUSKA, APRIL 22, 1987

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, APRIL 22, 1987

AN ACT

- Amending the act of May 17, 1956 (1955 P.L.1609, No.537), 2 entitled "An act to promote the welfare of the people of the 3 Commonwealth by the reduction of unemployment in certain 4 areas of the Commonwealth determined to be critical economic 5 areas; providing for the establishment of industrial 6 development projects in such areas; creating The Pennsylvania 7 Industrial Development Authority as a body corporate and 8 politic with power to allocate funds for and make secured 9 loans to industrial development agencies for the payment of a 10 part of the cost of industrial development projects in 11 critical economic areas; authorizing the Authority to enter 12 into agreements with the Government of the United States or 13 any Federal agency or industrial development agency; 14 empowering the Authority to take title to, sell, convey and 15 lease industrial development projects where necessary to 16 protect loans made by the Pennsylvania Industrial Development 17 Authority on industrial development projects; providing that 18 no debt of the Commonwealth, its municipalities or political subdivisions shall be incurred in the exercise of any powers 19 20 granted by this act; and providing for the examination of the 21 accounts and affairs of the Authority; and making an appropriation, " prohibiting the use of funds for certain 22 23 agricultural enterprises.
- 24 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 25 hereby enacts as follows:
- 26 Section 1. The act of May 17, 1956 (1955 P.L.1609, No.537),
- 27 known as the Pennsylvania Industrial Development Authority Act,

- 1 is amended by adding a section to read:
- 2 <u>Section 11.1. Exclusion. -- This act shall not apply to any</u>
- 3 <u>industrial development project which involves on-farm</u>
- 4 agriculture. For the purpose of this act, "on-farm agriculture"
- 5 means the business of producing food products or other useful or
- 6 valuable growths or crops by tilling and cultivating the soil,
- 7 and by breeding, raising and feeding cattle, livestock, bees,
- 8 poultry or other animals, exclusive of standard and thoroughbred
- 9 race horses, which produce a food product or which are
- 10 themselves a food product, or which produce other useful or
- 11 <u>valuable growths</u>.
- 12 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.