

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY BORTNER, SCHWARTZ, STAPLETON AND O'PAKE,  
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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON CONSERVATION, HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, MARCH 7, 1994

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of May 29, 1945 (P.L.1134, No.405), entitled  
2 "An act to create a commission to act jointly with  
3 commissions appointed for like purpose by the States of West  
4 Virginia and Maryland, the Commonwealth of Virginia and the  
5 District of Columbia, which, together with three members to  
6 be appointed by the President of the United States, shall  
7 constitute the Interstate Commission on the Potomac River  
8 Basin, with power to cooperate in the abatement of the  
9 existing pollution, and in the control of future pollution of  
10 the waters of the drainage basin of the Potomac River within  
11 the States of Maryland and West Virginia, the Commonwealth of  
12 Virginia and the District of Columbia; to authorize the  
13 Governor of the State to execute on behalf of this State a  
14 compact with representatives of other states for the purpose  
15 of forming the above-mentioned commission; and creating a  
16 Potomac Valley Conservancy District; providing for the  
17 appointment of the Pennsylvania members of said commission  
18 for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and their terms of  
19 office; and providing an appropriation," further providing  
20 for the members of the Interstate Commission on the Potomac  
21 River Basin for the Commonwealth.

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

24 Section 1. Sections 1 first paragraph and 1.1 of the act of  
25 May 29, 1945 (P.L.1134, No.405), entitled "An act to create a  
26 commission to act jointly with commissions appointed for like

1 purpose by the States of West Virginia and Maryland, the  
2 Commonwealth of Virginia and the District of Columbia, which,  
3 together with three members to be appointed by the President of  
4 the United States, shall constitute the Interstate Commission on  
5 the Potomac River Basin, with power to cooperate in the  
6 abatement of the existing pollution, and in the control of  
7 future pollution of the waters of the drainage basin of the  
8 Potomac River within the States of Maryland and West Virginia,  
9 the Commonwealth of Virginia and the District of Columbia; to  
10 authorize the Governor of the State to execute on behalf of this  
11 State a compact with representatives of other states for the  
12 purpose of forming the above-mentioned commission; and creating  
13 a Potomac Valley Conservancy District; providing for the  
14 appointment of the Pennsylvania members of said commission for  
15 the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and their terms of office; and  
16 providing an appropriation," amended or added April 28, 1961  
17 (P.L.113, No.51), are amended to read:

18       Section 1. There is hereby created a commission consisting  
19 of three members, to act jointly with commissions appointed for  
20 like purposes by the States of West Virginia and Maryland, the  
21 Commonwealth of Virginia and the District of Columbia, and an  
22 additional three members to be appointed by the President of the  
23 United States and which, together with the other commissions  
24 appointed as hereinbefore mentioned, shall constitute and be  
25 known as the Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin.  
26 The said commission for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall  
27 consist of three members [to be named by the Governor]. The  
28 Governor shall appoint two members, one of whom shall be [from  
29 the membership of the Pennsylvania Commission on Interstate  
30 Cooperation, and one of whom shall be a representative of the

1 Sanitary Water Board, and one of whom] a member of the public  
2 knowledgeable in matters involving water pollution and the other  
3 shall be [a member of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth <—  
4 of Pennsylvania.] EITHER THE CHAIRMAN OR MINORITY CHAIRMAN OF <—  
5 THE ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE  
6 OR THE CHAIRMAN OR MINORITY CHAIRMAN OF THE CONSERVATION  
7 COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. The third member  
8 shall be the Secretary of Environmental Resources or his  
9 designee. The appointed members [shall be appointed immediately  
10 after this act become effective and] shall serve for terms of  
11 two years or until their successors are appointed. The Secretary  
12 of Environmental Resources or his designee shall serve for the  
13 same period as his tenure as Secretary of Environmental  
14 Resources. They shall serve without compensation, but shall be  
15 paid their actual expenses incurred in and incident to the  
16 performance of their duties as hereinafter set forth. The  
17 Commonwealth shall contribute to the Interstate Commission on  
18 the Potomac River Basin its pro rata share of the expenses of  
19 said commission which shall be such sums as may be appropriated  
20 for the purpose, but not less than the sum of one thousand two  
21 hundred dollars (\$1,200) per year for the biennium beginning  
22 June first, one thousand nine hundred and forty-five.

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24 Section 1.1. The Governor of the Commonwealth of  
25 Pennsylvania shall appoint an alternate member for each of the  
26 [three] two appointed members of the commission for the  
27 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania created by section 1 of the act of  
28 May 29, 1945 (P.L.1134). [Each such alternate shall be appointed <—  
29 from {the same body from which the member was appointed} among <—  
30 the members of the General Assembly or the public, as the case

