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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TOURISM AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT,
SEPTEMBER 23, 1997

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of December 19, 1974 (P.L.973, No.319),
2 entitled "An act prescribing the procedure under which an
3 owner may have land devoted to agricultural use, agricultural
4 reserve use, or forest reserve use, valued for tax purposes
5 at the value it has for such uses, and providing for
6 reassessment and certain interest payments when such land is
7 applied to other uses and making editorial changes," further
8 defining "forest reserve."

9 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
10 hereby enacts as follows:

11 Section 1. The definition of "forest reserve" in section 2
12 of the act of December 19, 1974 (P.L.973, No.319), known as the
13 Pennsylvania Farmland and Forest Land Assessment Act of 1974, is
14 amended to read:

15 Section 2. Definitions.--As used in this act, the following
16 words and phrases shall have the meanings ascribed to them in
17 this section unless the context obviously otherwise requires:

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19 "Forest reserve." Land, ten acres or more, stocked by forest
20 trees of any size and capable of producing timber or other wood

1 products[.] used for outdoor recreation, including hunting or
2 nonmechanized sporting activities, or the enjoyment of scenic or
3 natural beauty and open to the public for such use without
4 charge or fee, on a nondiscriminatory basis.

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6 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.