## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## SENATE BILL

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SENATOR M. WHITE, ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, AS AMENDED, JUNE 13, 2007

## AN ACT

- 1 Providing for environmental funds reporting and disclosure.
- 2 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 3 hereby enacts as follows:
- 4 Section 1. Short title.
- 5 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Environmental
- 6 Funds Reporting and Disclosure Act.
- 7 Section 2. Department responsibilities.
- 8 The Department of Environmental Protection shall do all of
- 9 the following:
- 10 (1) No later than July 30, 2007, and each year
- thereafter, compile and update a comprehensive report of all
- 12 special funds and restricted revenue accounts administered by
- 13 the Department of Environmental Protection, containing at a
- 14 minimum:
- 15 (i) the total receipts and expenditures of each
- 16 fund, including all fees, fines, penalties and natural

- 1 resource damage awards or settlements;
- 2 (ii) an itemized list of each receipt and
- disbursement of the fund in excess of \$10,000; and
- 4 (iii) the number and nature of violations of
- 5 environmental statutes.
- 6 (2) A copy of the report required under paragraph (1)
- 7 shall be submitted to the chairmen and minority chairmen of
- 8 the Appropriations Committee and the Environmental Resources
- 9 and Energy Committee of the Senate and the chairmen and
- 10 minority chairmen of the Appropriations Committee and the
- 11 Environmental Resources and Energy Committee of the House of
- 12 Representatives.
- 13 (3) A copy of the report required under paragraph (1)
- shall be posted and maintained on the Department of
- 15 Environmental Protection's publicly accessible Internet
- website.
- 17 Section 3. Transfers to General HAZARDOUS SITES CLEANUP Fund.

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- 18 If the amount of all fines and penalties received by a
- 19 special fund or restricted revenue account administered by the
- 20 Department of Environmental Protection in a fiscal year
- 21 increases more than 5% from the amount received in the previous
- 22 fiscal year, the Secretary of the Budget shall transfer the
- 23 amount of the increase in revenue which is in excess of 5% from
- 24 the special fund or restricted revenue account to the Hazardous
- 25 Sites Cleanup Fund established in section 602.3 of the act of
- 26 March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of
- 27 1971.
- 28 Section 4. Applicability.
- 29 This act shall apply to any special fund or restricted
- 30 revenue account administered by the Department of Environmental

- 1 Protection, including, but not limited to, the Clean Air Fund,
- 2 the Clean Water Fund, the Solid Waste Abatement Fund, the Safe
- 3 Drinking Water Fund and the Waste Transportation Safety Account.
- 4 Section 5. Effective date.
- 5 This act shall take effect immediately.