## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

## No. 1471 Session of 2003

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, MAY 22, 2003

## AN ACT

- 1 Providing local choice for fluoridation of public water.
- 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 Fluoridation
- 6 Choice Act.
- 7 Section 2. Purpose.
- 8 It is the purpose of this act to allow municipalities and
- 9 public water authorities the option of removing fluoride or
- 10 fluoridation systems from public water supplies in this
- 11 Commonwealth.
- 12 Section 3. Local fluoridation option.
- 13 Notwithstanding any other law, a municipality or public water
- 14 authority may remove an existing water fluoridation system from
- 15 a public water system.
- 16 Section 4. Notification.
- 17 At least 60 days prior to taking action, a municipality or

- 1 public water authority which intends to cease adding fluoride to
- 2 a public water supply must communicate its intent in writing to
- 3 all customers served by that water supply and to the Department
- 4 of Environmental Protection. The municipality or public water
- 5 authority shall hold a public hearing on the proposal within 30
- 6 days after notifying the public.
- 7 Section 5. Effective date.
- 8 This act shall take effect in 60 days.