THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, MAY 18, 2011

AN ACT

Amending the act of March 1, 1988 (P.L.82, No.16), entitled "An 1 act providing for the establishment, implementation and administration of the Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment 2 3 Authority; imposing powers and duties on a board of trustees; 4 transferring the rights, powers, duties and obligations of 5 the Water Facilities Loan Board to the Pennsylvania 6 Infrastructure Investment Authority; providing for the 7 issuance of notes and bonds; providing for financial 8 assistance and for a comprehensive water facilities plan; 9 authorizing a referendum to incur indebtedness; making an 10 appropriation; and making repeals," further providing for 11 definitions; and providing for additional use of funds for 12 13 financial assistance. The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 14 15 hereby enacts as follows: 16 Section 1. The definition of "project" in section 3 of the 17 act of March 1, 1988 (P.L.82, No.16), known as the Pennsylvania 18 Infrastructure Investment Authority Act, amended July 14, 2005 19 (P.L.299, No.51), is amended and the section is amended by 20 adding a definition to read: Section 3. Definitions. 21 22 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall

have the meanings given to them in this section unless the

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1 context clearly indicates otherwise:

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3 "Private lateral sewer line." A private sewer line serving a
4 structure or dwelling, running from the structure or dwelling to
5 a public sewer line.

6 "Project." The eligible costs associated with the 7 acquisition, construction, improvement, expansion, extension, 8 repair, rehabilitation or security measures of all or part of 9 any facility or system, whether publicly or, in the case of 10 paragraph (1) or (2), privately owned:

(1) for the collection, treatment or disposal of wastewater, including industrial waste, to include private lateral sewer lines;

14 (2) for the supply, treatment, storage or distribution15 of drinking water;

16 (3) for the control of storm water, which may include, 17 but need not be limited to, the transport, storage and the 18 infiltration of storm water; or

19 (4) for the best management practices to address point 20 or nonpoint source pollution associated with storm water 21 runoff or any other innovative techniques identified in the 22 county-prepared watershed plans pursuant to the act of 23 October 4, 1978 (P.L.864, No.167), known as the Storm Water 24 Management Act.

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26 Section 2. The act is amended by adding a section to read: 27 <u>Section 10.1. Additional use of funds.</u>

28 <u>Governmental units are authorized to use financial assistance</u>

29 received under this act for the improvement, extension, repair

30 or rehabilitation of private lateral sewer lines connected to

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- 1 public sewer systems, where the government unit determines that
- 2 <u>such activities will benefit the public sewer system. No</u>
- 3 governmental unit which has completed such activities shall be
- 4 deemed to be the owner of such private lateral sewer lines, or
- 5 to have any further responsibility to conduct such activities,
- 6 <u>unless a governmental unit makes an affirmative determination to</u>
- 7 <u>accept such obligations.</u>
- 8 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.