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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, JANUARY 30, 2013

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AN ACT

1 Providing for limitation on certain Commonwealth agency action  
2 relating to certain endangered species.

3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
4 hereby enacts as follows:

5 Section 1. Short title.

6 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Endangered  
7 Species Coordination Act.

8 Section 2. Definitions.

9 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall  
10 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the  
11 context clearly indicates otherwise:

12 "Action." Any of the following activity:

- 13 (1) Promulgation of regulations.  
14 (2) Approval or denial of permits.  
15 (3) Enforcement of rules and regulations.

16 "Commonwealth agency." Any of the following:

- 17 (1) The Department of Agriculture of the Commonwealth.

1           (2) The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources  
2 of the Commonwealth.

3           (3) The Department of Environmental Protection of the  
4 Commonwealth.

5           (4) The Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission.

6           (5) The Pennsylvania Game Commission.

7 Section 3. Coordination of classification.

8       No Commonwealth agency may take action to classify or  
9 consider wildlife, flora or fauna as threatened or endangered  
10 unless the wildlife, flora or fauna is protected under the  
11 Endangered Species Act of 1973 (Public Law 93-205, 16 U.S.C.  
12 § 1531 et seq.).

13 Section 4. Effective date.

14       This act shall take effect in 60 days.