THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY MESSRS. LAUGHLIN, RITTER, J. B. KELLY III, FISHER, Deverter, Thomas, W. W. Wilt, Brandt, Moehlmann, Deweese, GREEN, MILANOVICH, MANDERINO, LaMARCA, LINCOLN, BRADLEY, R. W. WILT, PETRARCA, STOUT, LETTERMAN, MILLIRON, ZELLER, A. K. HUTCHINSON, DiCARLO, WANSACZ, GOODMAN, O'BRIEN AND KOLTER, MAY 26, 1976

SENATOR MURPHY, LOCAL GOVERNMENT, IN SENATE, AS AMENDED, NOVEMBER 9, 1976

AN ACT

- Amending the act of January 24, 1966 (1965, P.L.1535, No.537), 2 entitled, as amended, "An act providing for the planning and 3 regulation of community sewage systems and individual sewage systems; requiring municipalities to submit plans for systems in their jurisdiction; authorizing grants; requiring permits 5 for persons installing such systems; authorizing the 6 7 Department of Environmental Resources to adopt and administer 8 rules, regulations, standards and procedures; creating an advisory committee; providing remedies and prescribing 9 penalties, " requiring disclosure statements in certain land 10 11 sale contracts. 12 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 13 hereby enacts as follows: 14 Section 1. The title, act of January 24, 1966 (1965) P.L.1535, No.537), known as the "Pennsylvania Sewage Facilities 15 Act, " amended July 22, 1974 (P.L.621, No.208), is amended to 16 17 read:
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- 1 systems and individual sewage systems; requiring
- 2 municipalities to submit plans for systems in their
- jurisdiction; authorizing grants; requiring permits for
- 4 persons installing such systems; <u>requiring disclosure</u>
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- 6 Department of Environmental Resources to adopt and administer
- 7 rules, regulations, standards and procedures; creating an
- 8 advisory committee; providing remedies and prescribing
- 9 penalties.
- 10 Section 2. The act is amended by adding a section to read:
- 11 <u>Section 7.1. Land Sale Contracts.--(a) Every contract for</u>
- 12 the sale of a lot as defined in section 2 for which there is no
- 13 <u>currently existing community sewage system available shall</u>
- 14 contain a statement in the contract clearly indicating to the
- 15 buyer that there is no community sewage system available and
- 16 that a permit for an individual sewage system will have to be
- 17 <u>obtained pursuant to section 7. The contract shall also clearly</u>
- 18 state that the buyer should contact the local agency charged
- 19 with administering this act before signing the contract to
- 20 <u>determine the procedure and requirements for obtaining a permit</u>
- 21 for an individual sewage system if one has not already been
- 22 <u>obtained. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION THE TERMS "COMMUNITY</u>
- 23 SEWAGE SYSTEM" AND "INDIVIDUAL SEWAGE SYSTEM" SHALL BE CONSTRUED
- 24 TO EXCLUDE ANY DRAINAGE SYSTEM FOR THE CONTROL OF SURFACE WATER
- 25 OR THE CONTROL OF STORM RUNOFF WATER.
- 26 (b) Any contract for the sale of a lot which does not
- 27 conform to the requirements of subsection (a) shall not be
- 28 <u>enforceable</u> by the seller against the buyer. Any term of such
- 29 contract purporting to waive the rights of the buyer to the
- 30 <u>disclosures required in subsection (a) shall be void.</u>

- Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days and shall 1
- 2 apply to all contracts made thereafter.