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AN ACT

- 1 Requiring the Department of Health to conduct tests of certain 2 persons operating emissions testing machines.
- 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 Emissions
- 7 Machine Operator's Health Test 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 "Department." The Department of Health of the Commonwealth.
- 13 "Emissions testing machines." Equipment or mechanical
- 14 devices which are capable of performing an analysis of the
- 15 exhaust fumes from motor vehicles to determine the level and
- 16 chemical content of motor vehicle exhaust fumes.
- 17 "Operator." An individual who operates an emissions testing

- 1 machine for a period of five hours or more each day over a
- 2 period of five days every work week.
- 3 Section 3. Imposition of testing requirement.
- 4 (a) Requirements.--The department shall, within 60 days of
- 5 the effective date of this act, begin to conduct a series of
- 6 health tests on operators of emissions testing machines to
- 7 determine if any health hazard results from the operation of an
- 8 emissions testing machine.
- 9 (b) Limitation.--The department shall conduct the series of
- 10 health tests on a minimum of 5% of the operators of emissions
- 11 testing machines selected on a Statewide basis from those areas
- 12 where mandatory emissions inspection programs are in effect.
- 13 (c) Report and completion of tests. -- The conduct of the
- 14 health tests and the results from those tests shall be reported
- 15 to the Governor and the General Assembly no later than one year
- 16 after the effective date of this act.
- 17 Section 4. Effective date.
- 18 This act shall take effect in 60 days.