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NOVEMBER 16, 1999

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY,
NOVEMBER 16, 1999

AN ACT

1 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
4 systems; requiring municipalities to submit plans for systems
5 in their jurisdiction; authorizing grants; requiring permits
6 for persons installing such systems; requiring disclosure
7 statements in certain land sale contracts; authorizing the
8 Department of Environmental Resources to adopt and administer
9 rules, regulations, standards and procedures; creating an
10 advisory committee; providing remedies and prescribing
11 penalties," further providing for sewage enforcement officer
12 powers.

13 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
14 hereby enacts as follows:

15 Section 1. Section 8 of the act of January 24, 1966 (1965
16 P.L.1535, No.537), known as the Pennsylvania Sewage Facilities
17 Act, is amended by adding a subsection to read:

18 Section 8. Powers and Duties of Local Agencies.--* * *

1 (e.1) A sewage enforcement officer not employed by the local
2 agency may conduct site evaluations, soil testing or percolation
3 testing to determine site suitability for on-lot sewage disposal
4 systems which are permitable by local agencies and may prepare
5 specifications, drawings and all related documents necessary for
6 or ancillary to the design of on-lot sewage disposal systems
7 which are permitable by local agencies under this act and the
8 regulations adopted by the department.

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10 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.