

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2332 Session of
2004

INTRODUCED BY WEBER, BAKER, HASAY, ALLEN, ARGALL, HARRIS,
FAIRCHILD, DeWEESE, VEON, GEORGE, SCRIMENTI, GOOD, HERSHEY,
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O'NEILL, SOLOBAY, HARHAI, BASTIAN, HANNA, GINGRICH, BELFANTI,
EACHUS, McCALL, LEACH, CRAHALLA AND E. Z. TAYLOR,
FEBRUARY 2, 2004

AS AMENDED ON THIRD CONSIDERATION, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
FEBRUARY 4, 2004

AN ACT

1 ~~Authorizing~~ PROVIDING FOR submission of a question to the <—
2 electorate ~~pertaining to incurring certain indebtedness; and~~ <—
3 ~~provisionally authorizing the incurring of debt~~ AUTHORIZING <—
4 INCURRING INDEBTEDNESS for water and wastewater treatment
5 projects.

6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
7 hereby enacts as follows:

8 Section 1. Short title.

9 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Water and
10 Wastewater Treatment Project Bond Act.

11 Section 2. Question of indebtedness.

12 (a) Authorization.--Pursuant to the provisions of section
13 7(a)(3) of Article VIII of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, the
14 question of incurring indebtedness of \$250,000,000 for grants
15 and loans for the acquisition, repair, construction,
16 reconstruction, rehabilitation, extension, expansion and

1 improvement of water and wastewater infrastructure, including
2 water supply and sewage treatment systems, shall be submitted to
3 the electors at the 2004 primary election.

4 (b) Certification.--The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall
5 forthwith certify the question to the county boards of
6 elections.

7 (c) Question.--The question shall be in substantially the
8 following form:

9 Do you favor the incurring of indebtedness by the
10 Commonwealth in the amount of \$250,000,000 for use as
11 grants and loans for construction, expansion or
12 improvement of water and wastewater infrastructure,
13 including water supply and sewage treatment systems?

14 (D) ELECTION PROCEDURE.--THE ELECTION SHALL BE CONDUCTED IN <—
15 ACCORDANCE WITH THE ACT OF JUNE 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, NO.320),
16 KNOWN AS THE PENNSYLVANIA ELECTION CODE, EXCEPT THAT ANY TIME
17 LIMITS FOR ADVERTISING NOTICE RELATED TO THE QUESTION ARE HEREBY
18 WAIVED.

19 Section 3. Debt to be utilized for water and wastewater
20 treatment projects.

21 ~~If the question in section 2 is submitted to the electors and~~ <—
22 ~~approved in accordance with law, the Commonwealth is authorized~~
23 ~~to incur additional indebtedness, not to exceed \$250,000,000, to~~
24 ~~finance grants and loans as hereafter provided by law.~~

25 PROCEEDS OF THE BORROWING, NOT TO EXCEED \$250,000,000, SHALL <—
26 BE USED FOR LOANS AND GRANTS FOR THE ACQUISITION, REPAIR,
27 CONSTRUCTION, EXPANSION, EXTENSION, RECONSTRUCTION,
28 REHABILITATION OR IMPROVEMENTS OF WATER SUPPLY AND WASTEWATER
29 INFRASTRUCTURE AS HEREAFTER PROVIDED BY LAW.

30 Section 4. Effective date.

1 This act shall take effect immediately.