

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2244 Session of
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MILLARD, MILLER, MYERS, PEIFER, SCAVELLO, WATSON AND
GINGRICH, MARCH 12, 2012

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, MARCH 12, 2012

AN ACT

1 Establishing the Watershed Disaster Reconstruction Account;
2 providing for transfer from the Surface Mining Conservation
3 and Reclamation Fund; and making appropriations.

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

6 Section 1. Short title.

7 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Watershed
8 Disaster Reconstruction Act of 2012.

9 Section 2. Definitions.

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

13 "Account." The Watershed Disaster Reconstruction Account
14 established in section 3.

15 Section 3. Account.

16 There is hereby established within the General Fund an
17 account to be known as the Watershed Disaster Reconstruction

1 Account.

2 Section 4. Transfer.

3 The sum of \$4,400,000 is hereby transferred from the Surface
4 Mining Conservation and Reclamation Fund to the Watershed
5 Disaster Reconstruction Account.

6 Section 5. Appropriations.

7 (a) Clean streams.--The sum of \$3,400,000 is hereby
8 appropriated from the account for allocation by the Governor for
9 payment of the Commonwealth's share necessary to secure Federal
10 funding from the United States Department of Agriculture Natural
11 Resources Conservation Service for stream restoration.

12 (b) United States Army Corps of Engineers.--The sum of
13 \$1,000,000 is hereby appropriated from the account for
14 allocation by the Governor for payment of the Commonwealth's
15 share necessary to secure Federal funding from the United States
16 Army Corps of Engineers to assist with small stream threats to
17 life and property.

18 Section 6. Termination.

19 This act shall terminate September 30, 2012, and any money
20 remaining in the account shall be transferred to the Surface
21 Mining Conservation and Reclamation Fund.

22 Section 7. Effective date.

23 This act shall take effect immediately.