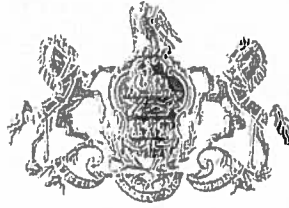


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MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 6, 2011
TO: All Senators
FROM: Senator Mike Waugh *MW*
SUBJECT: Request to co-sponsor legislation
*Water testing option for property owners
facing application of sewage sludge on neighboring land*

I am reintroducing legislation that amends *Act 97* of 1980, the *Solid Waste Management Law*. This was Senate Bill 945 of the 2009-10 session of the General Assembly.

Under this legislation, whenever a permit to apply sewage sludge to land has been granted, all adjacent property owners with a private water source who receive notice under section 271.913(g) in *Chapter 25 (Environmental Protection)* of the *Pennsylvania Code* shall be entitled to have their well water tested.

This test shall be conducted, prior to the application of the sewage sludge, for baseline levels of nitrates, *Escherichia coli*, fecal coliform and total coliform levels. This testing shall be at the expense of the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP).

Senators who co-sponsored Senate Bill 945 were Farnese, Ferlo, Kasunic, Kitchen, Rafferty and Washington.

If you would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Debbie Clark in my office at 787-3817 or dclark@pasen.gov.