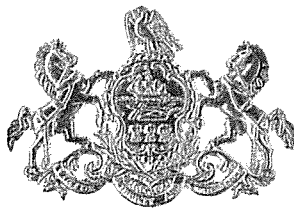


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DATE: May 10, 2012
TO: All Senators
FROM: Senator Mike Waugh 
SUBJECT: Request to co-sponsor legislation
Amend Oil and Gas Act to Provide for Plan Approval

I am introducing legislation to amend *Act 223* of 1984, known as the *Oil and Gas Act* to clarify that the appropriate professional prepares permit applications under. Unlike the act governing coal mining as well as several other environmental statutes, the *Oil and Gas Act* does not specify that maps and plans must be prepared by licensed engineers, land surveyors or geologists. To rectify that situation, my legislation borrows language from the Municipalities Planning Code that simply requires that plats be prepared in accordance with the licensing act covering those professions. The goal of this bill is to ensure that plans are prepared by licensed professionals who are practicing within their area of competency.

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