

AN ACT

1 Providing for the certification of recovery houses in this
2 Commonwealth.

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

5 Section 1. Short title.

6 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Recovery
7 House Certification Act.

8 Section 2. Definitions.

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

12 "Department." The Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs of
13 the Commonwealth.

14 "Recovery house." A safe and supportive, alcohol-free and
15 drug-free environment where residents in recovery from alcohol
16 or other drug addiction live together as a community. This
17 definition shall also apply to residences described as sober

1 houses, transitional houses or houses where there are residents
2 in recovery from alcohol or other drug addiction.

3 Section 3. Certification.

4 Recovery houses located in this Commonwealth shall be
5 certified by the department to receive public money.

6 Section 4. Promulgation.

7 The department shall promulgate regulations to carry out the
8 provisions of this act.

9 Section 5. Effective date.

10 This act shall take effect in 60 days.