

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON MINES AND ENERGY MANAGEMENT,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, MARCH 23, 1977

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.912, No.322), entitled,
2 "An act to regulate the drilling, operating, and abandoning
3 of oil and gas wells, and providing a penalty for violation
4 of the provisions of this act," permitting the introduction
5 of pressure into any stratum for the purpose of producing oil
6 or gas therefrom.

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

9 Section 1. Section 3, act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.912, No.322),
10 entitled "An act to regulate the drilling, operating and
11 abandoning of oil and gas wells, and providing a penalty for
12 violation of the provisions of this act," amended April 26, 1929
13 (P.L.821, No.352), is amended to read:

14 Section 3. The owner or operator of any well or wells which
15 produce oil or gas from [the strata known as the "Bradford
16 Sand," "Ball Town Sand," "Clarendon Sand," "Cherry Grove Sand,"
17 "Kane Sand," "Glade Sand," and "Haskell Sand,"] any stratum
18 BELOW THE LOWEST POTABLE WATER AQUIFER shall be permitted to <—

1 allow such wells to remain open for the purpose of introducing
2 air, gas, water, or other liquid pressure[, upon said "Bradford
3 Sand," "Ball Town Sand," "Clarendon Sand," "Cherry Grove Sand,"
4 "Kane Sand," "Glade Sand," and "Haskell Sand,"] into said oil or
5 gas bearing stratum for the purpose of recovering the oil and
6 gas contained therein, provided that the introduction of such
7 pressure of air, gas, water, or other liquid into said
8 ["Bradford Sand," "Ball Town Sand," "Clarendon Sand," "Cherry
9 Grove Sand," "Kane Sand," "Glade Sand," and "Haskell Sand,"]
10 stratum shall be through casing or tubing which shall be so
11 anchored and packed that no other oil, [or gas bearing sand,]
12 gas or water bearing stratum above or below said ["Bradford
13 Sand," "Ball Town Sand," "Clarendon Sand," "Cherry Grove Sand,"
14 "Kane Sand," "Glade Sand," and "Haskell Sand,"] stratum shall be
15 affected by the introduction of such pressure.

16 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 30 days.