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AS AMENDED ON THIRD CONSIDERATION, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, JANUARY 28, 1986

AN ACT

Amending the act of July 7, 1980 (P.L.380, No.97), entitled "An act providing for the planning and regulation of solid waste 3 storage, collection, transportation, processing, treatment, 4 and disposal; requiring municipalities to submit plans for 5 municipal waste management systems in their jurisdictions; authorizing grants to municipalities; providing regulation of 7 the management of municipal, residual and hazardous waste; 8 requiring permits for operating hazardous waste and solid 9 waste storage, processing, treatment, and disposal facilities; and licenses for transportation of hazardous 10 waste; imposing duties on persons and municipalities; 11 12 granting powers to municipalities; authorizing the 13 Environmental Quality Board and the Department of 14 Environmental Resources to adopt rules, regulations, standards and procedures; granting powers to and imposing 15 duties upon county health departments; providing remedies; 16 17 prescribing penalties; and establishing a fund, "further providing for the approval of permits and licenses and for 18 the power and duties of municipalities; PROHIBITING THE 19 20 SITING OF HAZARDOUS WASTE TREATMENT OR DISPOSAL FACILITIES IN 21 THE VICINITY OF CERTAIN BUILDINGS; requiring a fee for 22 emergency groundwater contamination plans; and further providing for search warrants; FURTHER PROVIDING REGULATION 23

- 1 OF THE MANAGEMENT OF HAZARDOUS WASTE; FURTHER PROVIDING FOR
- 2 THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL
- 3 RESOURCES; ESTABLISHING A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE ACCOUNT;
- 4 FURTHER PRESCRIBING PENALTIES; FURTHER PROVIDING REMEDIES;
- 5 AND PROVIDING FOR JURISDICTION OF COMMONWEALTH COURT.
- 6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 7 hereby enacts as follows:
- 8 Section 1. The act of July 7, 1980 (P.L.380, No.97), known

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- 9 as the Solid Waste Management Act, is amended by adding a
- 10 section to read:
- 11 SECTION 1. SECTION 105(H) OF THE ACT OF JULY 7, 1980
- 12 (P.L.380, NO.97), KNOWN AS THE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT ACT, IS
- 13 AMENDED TO READ:
- 14 SECTION 105. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
- 15 BOARD.
- 16 * * *
- 17 (H) ISSUANCE OF A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC NECESSITY UNDER THIS
- 18 SECTION SHALL SUSPEND AND SUPERSEDE ANY AND ALL LOCAL LAWS WHICH
- 19 WOULD PRECLUDE OR PROHIBIT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A HAZARDOUS
- 20 WASTE TREATMENT OR DISPOSAL FACILITY AT SAID SITE, INCLUDING
- 21 ZONING ORDINANCES, BUT SHALL NOT SUSPEND OR SUPERSEDE ORDINANCES
- 22 WHICH REGULATE THE SITING OR CONTINUED OPERATION OF A FACILITY
- 23 ENACTED UNDER SECTION 504(D). THE SUSPENSION AND SUPERSESSION IS
- 24 EXPLICITLY EXTENDED TO ANY PERSON TO WHOM SUCH CERTIFICATES
- 25 ISSUED FOR THE PURPOSE OF HAZARDOUS WASTE TREATMENT OR DISPOSAL,
- 26 AND TO THE SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS OF SUCH PERSON.
- 27 * * *
- 28 SECTION 2. THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING A SECTION TO READ:
- 29 Section 106.1. Powers and duties of host municipalities and
- 30 <u>counties.</u>
- 31 (a) Whenever the department intends to make an inspection or
- 32 conduct tests on any property, building, premises or place where

- 1 solid waste is generated, stored, processed, treated or disposed
- 2 of it shall, prior thereto, notify the chief executive officer
- 3 or governing body of the host municipality and the county
- 4 commissioners of the county wherein the host municipality is
- 5 <u>located for the purpose of inviting persons designated by such</u>
- 6 <u>municipality or county as its representatives to accompany the</u>
- 7 <u>employees or agents of the department onto the site to observe</u>
- 8 <u>such inspections or tests. Copies of the results of all</u>
- 9 <u>inspections and tests made by the department or by others at the</u>
- 10 <u>direction or order of the department shall be forwarded</u>
- 11 <u>immediately upon receipt of such results by the department to</u>
- 12 the chief executive officer or governing body of the host
- 13 <u>municipality</u> and the county commissioners of the county wherein
- 14 the host municipality is located.
- 15 (b) The host municipality and the county wherein the host
- 16 municipality is located both shall have the power to make
- 17 <u>inspections or investigations of any property, building,</u>
- 18 premises or place where solid waste is generated, stored,
- 19 processed, treated or disposed of and shall be entitled to
- 20 access to, and require the production of, books and papers,
- 21 documents and physical evidence pertinent to any matter relative
- 22 to such solid waste.
- 23 (c) Whenever the chief executive officer or governing body
- 24 of a host municipality or the county commissioners of the county
- 25 <u>wherein the host municipality is located presents information to</u>
- 26 the department which should give the department reason to
- 27 believe that any person is in violation of any requirement of
- 28 this act, any regulation promulgation hereunder or any permit or
- 29 <u>license issued hereunder, the department, through its regional</u>
- 30 director in charge of the area in guestion, shall meet with

- 1 representatives of such municipality or county within five days
- 2 of receipt of such information. If the concerns of the
- 3 <u>municipality or county have not been dealt with in a</u>
- 4 satisfactory manner at the end of 60 days following such a
- 5 meeting, the information shall be delivered directly to the
- 6 secretary along with the report of the regional director. Within
- 7 five days of receipt of the information by the secretary, a
- 8 meeting shall be held between the secretary and representatives
- 9 of the municipality or county. The secretary shall make a final
- 10 report to the municipality or county within 60 days following
- 11 <u>such meeting</u>. This right or remedy shall be in addition to and
- 12 not a prior condition to the exercise of any other existing or
- 13 <u>future right or remedy of the municipality or county.</u>
- 14 SECTION 3. THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING AN ARTICLE TO READ: <
- 15 <u>ARTICLE IV-A</u>
- 16 RESPONSE TO HAZARDOUS WASTE
- 17 SECTION 401-A. DEFINITIONS.
- 18 (A) GENERAL DEFINITIONS.--THE FOLLOWING WORDS AND PHRASES
- 19 WHEN USED IN THIS ARTICLE SHALL HAVE THE MEANINGS GIVEN TO THEM
- 20 <u>IN THIS SECTION UNLESS THE CONTEXT CLEARLY INDICATES OTHERWISE:</u>
- 21 <u>"ACCOUNT." THE HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE ACCOUNT CREATED UNDER</u>
- 22 SECTION 402-A.
- 23 "DISPOSE." TO DISCARD WASTE INTO OR ON LAND AS A FINAL
- 24 ACTION AFTER USE HAS BEEN ACHIEVED AND NO INTENDED BENEFICIAL
- 25 USE OR REUSE CAN BE DEMONSTRATED. THE TERM DOES NOT INCLUDE
- 26 <u>INJECTION OF MATERIALS FOR THE PURPOSE OF STIMULATING OR</u>
- 27 TREATING WELLS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF CRUDE OIL, NATURAL GAS,
- 28 WATER OR GEOTHERMAL ENERGY OR FOR THE PURPOSE OF SECONDARY,
- 29 TERTIARY OR OTHER ENHANCED RECOVERY OF CRUDE OIL OR NATURAL GAS
- 30 NOR MATERIALS WHICH ARE BROUGHT TO THE SURFACE IN CONJUNCTION

- 1 WITH THE PRODUCTION OF GEOTHERMAL RESOURCES, CRUDE OIL OR
- 2 <u>NATURAL GAS AND WHICH ARE REINJECTED.</u>
- 3 <u>"FEDERAL ACT." THE COMPREHENSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE,</u>
- 4 COMPENSATION, AND LIABILITY ACT OF 1980 (PUBLIC LAW 96-510, 94
- 5 <u>STAT. 2767</u>).
- 6 <u>"HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE."</u>
- 7 <u>(1) THE TERM INCLUDES:</u>
- 8 (I) SUBSTANCES DESIGNATED UNDER SECTION 311(B)(2)(A)
- 9 OF THE FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT (62 STAT.
- 10 <u>1155, 33 U.S.C.</u> § 1321(B)(2)(A)).
- 11 (II) ELEMENTS, COMPOUNDS, MIXTURES, SOLUTIONS OR
- 12 SUBSTANCES DESIGNATED UNDER SECTION 102 OF THE FEDERAL
- 13 <u>ACT (42 U.S.C. § 9602).</u>
- 14 (III) HAZARDOUS WASTES HAVING THE CHARACTERISTICS
- 15 IDENTIFIED UNDER OR LISTED UNDER SECTION 3001 OF THE
- 16 SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL ACT (PUBLIC LAW 89-272, 42 U.S.C. §
- 17 6921).
- 18 (IV) TOXIC POLLUTANTS LISTED UNDER SECTION 307(A) OF
- 19 THE FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT (62 STAT. 1155,
- 20 <u>33 U.S.C. § 1317(A)).</u>
- 21 <u>(V) HAZARDOUS AIR POLLUTANTS LISTED UNDER SECTION</u>
- 22 112 OF THE CLEAN AIR ACT (PUBLIC LAW 95-95, 42 U.S.C. §
- 23 7412).
- 24 (VI) IMMINENTLY HAZARDOUS CHEMICAL SUBSTANCES OR
- 25 <u>MIXTURES WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE</u>
- 26 <u>UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY HAS TAKEN</u>
- 27 ACTION UNDER SECTION 7 OF THE TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL
- 28 <u>ACT (PUBLIC LAW 94-469, 15 U.S.C. § 2606).</u>
- 29 <u>(VII) HAZARDOUS WASTES AS DEFINED BY REGULATIONS</u>
- 30 PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ARTICLE.

- 1 (2) THE TERM DOES NOT INCLUDE PETROLEUM, INCLUDING CRUDE
- 2 <u>OIL OR ANY FRACTION THEREOF WHICH IS NOT OTHERWISE</u>
- 3 <u>SPECIFICALLY LISTED OR DESIGNATED AS A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE IN</u>
- 4 PARAGRAPH (1); NATURAL GAS, NATURAL GAS LIQUIDS, LIQUEFIED
- 5 NATURAL GAS OR SYNTHETIC GAS USABLE FOR FUEL; MIXTURES OF
- 6 NATURAL GAS AND SYNTHETIC GAS USED FOR FUEL; THE ASH PRODUCED
- 7 BY A RESOURCE RECOVERY FACILITY UTILIZING A MUNICIPAL SOLID
- 8 WASTE STREAM; NOR NONTOXIC, NONFLAMMABLE, NONCORROSIVE STORM
- 9 <u>WATER RUNOFF DRAINED FROM UNDERGROUND VAULTS, CHAMBERS OR</u>
- 10 MANHOLES INTO GUTTERS OR STORM SEWERS.
- 11 "HAZARDOUS WASTE." THE MEANING PROVIDED IN SECTION 1004 OF
- 12 THE SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL ACT (PUBLIC LAW 84-272, 42 U.S.C. §
- 13 6903).
- 14 "NATURAL RESOURCE." LAND, FISH, WILDLIFE, BIOTA, AIR, WATER,
- 15 GROUND WATER, DRINKING WATER SUPPLIES AND OTHER RESOURCES
- 16 BELONGING TO, MANAGED BY, HELD IN TRUST BY, APPERTAINING TO OR
- 17 OTHERWISE CONTROLLED BY THE UNITED STATES, A STATE OR LOCAL
- 18 GOVERNMENT OR A FOREIGN GOVERNMENT. THE TERM INCLUDES THE
- 19 RESOURCES OF THE FISHERY CONSERVATION ZONE ESTABLISHED BY THE
- 20 FISHERY CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT ACT OF 1976 (PUBLIC LAW 94-
- 21 265, 90 STAT. 331).
- 22 "PERSON." AN INDIVIDUAL, TRUST, FIRM, JOINT STOCK COMPANY OR
- 23 CORPORATION. THE TERM INCLUDES GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS,
- 24 PARTNERSHIPS AND ASSOCIATIONS. THE TERM INCLUDES THE
- 25 COMMONWEALTH AND ITS POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS AND THE FEDERAL
- 26 GOVERNMENT, AND THEIR AGENCIES.
- 27 <u>"RELEASE." SPILLING, LEAKING, PUMPING, POURING, EMITTING,</u>
- 28 EMPTYING, DISCHARGING, INJECTING, ESCAPING, LEACHING, DUMPING OR
- 29 <u>DISPOSING INTO THE ENVIRONMENT. THE TERM DOES NOT INCLUDE:</u>
- 30 (1) A RELEASE WHICH RESULTS IN EXPOSURE TO PERSONS

- 1 SOLELY WITHIN A WORKPLACE, WITH RESPECT TO A CLAIM WHICH
- 2 <u>EXPOSED PERSONS MAY ASSERT AGAINST THEIR EMPLOYER.</u>
- 3 (2) EMISSIONS FROM THE ENGINE EXHAUST OF A MOTOR
- 4 VEHICLE, ROLLING STOCK, AIRCRAFT, VESSEL OR PIPELINE PUMPING
- 5 <u>STATION ENGINE.</u>
- 6 (3) RELEASE OF SOURCE, BY-PRODUCT OR SPECIAL NUCLEAR
- 7 MATERIAL FROM A NUCLEAR INCIDENT AS THOSE TERMS ARE DEFINED
- 8 IN THE ATOMIC ENERGY ACT OF 1954 (68 STAT. 921, 28 U.S.C. §§
- 9 <u>2341(3)(A)-(C)</u> AND 2342(1)-(4) AND 42 U.S.C. § 2011 ET SEQ.).
- 10 (4) THE NORMAL APPLICATION OF FERTILIZER, PLANT GROWTH
- 11 <u>REGULANTS AND PESTICIDES.</u>
- 12 "RELEASE AUTHORIZED OR PERMITTED PURSUANT TO LAW." A RELEASE
- 13 INTO THE ENVIRONMENT WHICH IS AUTHORIZED BY STATUTE, ORDINANCE,
- 14 REGULATION OR RULE OF A REGIONAL, STATE OR LOCAL AGENCY OR
- 15 GOVERNMENT OR WHICH IS AUTHORIZED, BY A SPECIFIC PERMIT, LICENSE
- 16 OR SIMILAR AUTHORIZATION FROM AN AGENCY WHICH (PERMIT, LICENSE
- 17 OR AUTHORIZATION) RECOGNIZES A STANDARD INDUSTRY PRACTICE. THE
- 18 TERM "VARIANCES" OBTAINED FROM AN AGENCY WHICH ALLOW OPERATIONS
- 19 FOR FACILITIES DURING A PERIOD OF TIME WHEN RELEASES FROM THE
- 20 FACILITIES DO NOT CONFORM WITH RELEVANT STATUTES, ORDINANCES,
- 21 REGULATIONS OR RULES. THE TERM INCLUDES A FEDERALLY PERMITTED
- 22 RELEASE, AS DEFINED BY SECTION 101(10) OF THE FEDERAL ACT (42
- 23 U.S.C. § 9601(10)) AND RELEASES WHICH ARE IN ACCORDANCE WITH A
- 24 COURT ORDER OR CONSENT DECREE.
- 25 <u>"REMEDY" OR "REMEDIAL ACTION." THOSE ACTIONS, CONSISTENT</u>
- 26 WITH A PERMANENT REMEDY, TAKEN INSTEAD OF OR IN ADDITION TO
- 27 REMOVAL ACTIONS IN THE EVENT OF A RELEASE OR THREATENED RELEASE
- 28 OF A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE INTO THE ENVIRONMENT, TO PREVENT OR
- 29 MINIMIZE THE RELEASE OF HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES SO THAT THEY DO NOT
- 30 <u>MIGRATE TO CAUSE SUBSTANTIAL DANGER TO PRESENT OR FUTURE PUBLIC</u>

- 1 HEALTH OR WELFARE OR THE ENVIRONMENT. THE TERM INCLUDES, BUT IS
- 2 NOT LIMITED TO, ACTIONS AT THE LOCATION OF THE RELEASE SUCH AS
- 3 STORAGE; CONFINEMENT; PERIMETER PROTECTION USING DIKES,
- 4 TRENCHES, OR DITCHES; CLAY COVER; NEUTRALIZATION; CLEANUP OF
- 5 RELEASED HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES OR CONTAMINATED MATERIALS;
- 6 RECYCLING, REUSE, DIVERSION, DESTRUCTION, OR SEGREGATION OF
- 7 REACTIVE WASTES; DREDGING OR EXCAVATIONS; REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT
- 8 OF LEAKING CONTAINERS; COLLECTION OF LEACHATE AND RUNOFF; ONSITE
- 9 TREATMENT OR INCINERATION; PROVISION OF ALTERNATIVE WATER
- 10 SUPPLIES; AND MONITORING REASONABLY REQUIRED TO ASSURE THAT THE
- 11 ACTIONS PROTECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE AND THE
- 12 ENVIRONMENT. THE TERM INCLUDES THE COSTS OF PERMANENT RELOCATION
- 13 OF RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES WHERE THE
- 14 PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES DETERMINES THAT, ALONE OR IN
- 15 COMBINATION WITH OTHER MEASURES, RELOCATION IS MORE COST-
- 16 EFFECTIVE THAN AND ENVIRONMENTALLY PREFERABLE TO THE
- 17 TRANSPORTATION, STORAGE, TREATMENT, DESTRUCTION OR SECURE
- 18 OFFSITE DISPOSITION OF HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES OR THAT RELOCATION
- 19 MAY OTHERWISE BE NECESSARY TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND
- 20 WELFARE. THE TERM DOES NOT INCLUDE OFFSITE TRANSPORT OF
- 21 HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES OR THE STORAGE, TREATMENT, DESTRUCTION OR
- 22 SECURE OFFSITE DISPOSITION OF HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES OR
- 23 CONTAMINATED MATERIALS UNLESS THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES
- 24 <u>DETERMINES THAT THESE ACTIONS ARE MORE COST-EFFECTIVE THAN OTHER</u>
- 25 REMEDIAL ACTIONS; WILL CREATE NEW CAPACITY TO MANAGE IN
- 26 COMPLIANCE WITH TITLE II, SUBTITLE C, OF THE SOLID WASTE
- 27 DISPOSAL ACT (PUBLIC LAW 89-272, 42 U.S.C. CH.82, SUBCH. III),
- 28 OR ARE NECESSARY TO PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH OR WELFARE OR THE
- 29 ENVIRONMENT FROM A PRESENT OR POTENTIAL RISK WHICH MAY BE
- 30 CREATED BY FURTHER EXPOSURE TO THE CONTINUED PRESENCE OF THE

- 1 SUBSTANCES OR MATERIALS.
- 2 <u>"REMOVE" OR "REMOVAL." THE CLEANUP OR REMOVAL OF RELEASED</u>
- 3 HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES FROM THE ENVIRONMENT; NECESSARY ACTIONS
- 4 TAKEN IN THE EVENT OF THE THREAT OF RELEASE OF HAZARDOUS
- 5 SUBSTANCES INTO THE ENVIRONMENT; NECESSARY ACTIONS TO MONITOR,
- 6 ASSESS AND EVALUATE THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE OF
- 7 HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES; THE DISPOSAL OF REMOVED MATERIAL; OR
- 8 NECESSARY ACTIONS TO PREVENT, MINIMIZE OR MITIGATE DAMAGE TO THE
- 9 PUBLIC HEALTH OR WELFARE OR TO THE ENVIRONMENT WHICH MAY
- 10 OTHERWISE RESULT FROM A RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE. THE TERM
- 11 INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, SECURITY FENCING OR OTHER
- 12 MEASURES TO LIMIT ACCESS, PROVISION OF ALTERNATIVE WATER
- 13 SUPPLIES, TEMPORARY EVACUATION AND HOUSING OF THREATENED
- 14 INDIVIDUALS NOT OTHERWISE PROVIDED FOR, ACTIONS TAKEN UNDER
- 15 SECTION 104(B) OF THE FEDERAL ACT (42 U.S.C. § 9604(B)) AND
- 16 EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE WHICH MAY BE PROVIDED UNDER THE DISASTER
- 17 RELIEF ACT OF 1974 (PUBLIC LAW 93-288, 88 STAT. 143).
- 18 "RESPONSE ACTION." REMEDY, REMEDIAL ACTION OR REMOVAL.
- 19 "TRADE SECRET." INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, FORMULAS,
- 20 PLANS, PATTERNS, PROCESSES, TOOLS, MECHANISMS, COMPOUNDS,
- 21 PROCEDURE COMPOUNDS, PRODUCTION DATA OR COMPILATIONS OF
- 22 INFORMATION WHICH ARE NOT PATENTED; WHICH ARE KNOWN ONLY TO
- 23 CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS WITHIN A BUSINESS OR COMMERCIAL CONCERN;
- 24 WHICH ARE USED TO FABRICATE, PRODUCE, DEVELOP OR COMPOUND AN
- 25 ARTICLE OF TRADE OR A SERVICE HAVING COMMERCIAL VALUE; AND WHICH
- 26 PROVIDE THE PERSON IN POSSESSION OF THEM WITH A COMPETITIVE
- 27 ADVANTAGE OVER OTHER BUSINESSES WITHOUT POSSESSION.
- 28 (B) ADDITIONAL DEFINITIONS.--EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN
- 29 THIS ARTICLE, OR UNLESS THE CONTEXT REQUIRES OTHERWISE, THE
- 30 DEFINITIONS SET FORTH IN SECTION 101 OF THE FEDERAL ACT (42

- 1 U.S.C. § 9601) SHALL APPLY TO THIS ARTICLE.
- 2 <u>SECTION 402-A. HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE ACCOUNT.</u>
- 3 (A) CREATION. -- THERE IS ESTABLISHED A SPECIAL ACCOUNT IN THE
- 4 TREASURY DEPARTMENT TO BE KNOWN AS THE HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE
- 5 ACCOUNT. IN ADDITION TO FUNDS APPROPRIATED BY THE GENERAL
- 6 ASSEMBLY AND EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B), THE FOLLOWING
- 7 SHALL BE DEPOSITED INTO AND CREDITED TO THE STATE ACCOUNT:
- 8 (1) MONEY RECOVERED UNDER SECTIONS 419-A THROUGH 425-A.
- 9 (2) ASSESSMENTS COLLECTED UNDER SECTIONS 413-A THROUGH
- 10 <u>417-A.</u>
- 11 (3) FINES AND PENALTIES COLLECTED UNDER THIS ARTICLE
- 12 (4) FUNDS RECEIVED FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT UNDER THE
- FEDERAL ACT.
- 14 (5) MONEY RECEIVED FROM RESPONSIBLE PARTIES FOR REMEDIAL
- 15 <u>ACTION OR REMOVAL AT A SPECIFIC SITE.</u>
- 16 <u>(6) INTEREST EARNED ON MONEY HELD IN THE ACCOUNT.</u>
- 17 (B) SUBACCOUNT.--
- 18 (1) A SEPARATE SUBACCOUNT FOR SITE OPERATION AND
- 19 MAINTENANCE SHALL BE ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE ACCOUNT. IN
- 20 ADDITION TO FUNDS SPECIFICALLY APPROPRIATED BY THE GENERAL
- 21 <u>ASSEMBLY FOR SITE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, THE FOLLOWING</u>
- 22 SHALL BE DEPOSITED INTO AND CREDITED TO THE SUBACCOUNT:
- 23 (I) MONEY RECEIVED FROM RESPONSIBLE PARTIES FOR SITE
- OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE.
- 25 <u>(II) FUNDS RECEIVED FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT</u>
- 26 UNDER THE FEDERAL ACT FOR SITE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE.
- 27 (III) FUNDS RECEIVED FROM POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OR
- 28 FROM COMMONWEALTH AGENCIES FOR SITE OPERATION AND
- MAINTENANCE.
- 30 (2) THE SUBACCOUNT SHALL BE ADMINISTERED BY THE

- 1 SECRETARY FOR RESPONSE ACTIONS AS SET FORTH IN SECTIONS 408-A
- 2 THROUGH 418-A, FOR ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THIS
- 3 ARTICLE, AND FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSE SPECIFICALLY AUTHORIZED BY
- 4 THIS ARTICLE.
- 5 (3) THE SUBACCOUNT SHALL BE ADMINISTERED BY THE
- 6 SECRETARY ONLY FOR RESPONSE ACTIONS THAT INVOLVE SITE
- 7 OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE.
- 8 (C) APPROPRIATION. -- MONEY PLACED INTO THE ACCOUNT OR THE
- 9 SUBACCOUNT UNDER THIS SECTION IS MADE AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY AND
- 10 ARE SPECIFICALLY APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT TO ADMINISTER
- 11 THIS ARTICLE. IT IS THE INTENT OF THIS ARTICLE THAT THE ACCOUNT
- 12 AND SUBACCOUNT SHALL ACT AS REVOLVING FUNDS WHEREBY
- 13 APPROPRIATIONS, DEPOSITS AND PAYMENTS, AND INTEREST EARNED ARE
- 14 CONTINUOUSLY APPROPRIATED AND MAY BE APPLIED AND REAPPLIED FOR
- 15 THE PURPOSES OF THIS ARTICLE. MONEY IN THE ACCOUNT AND
- 16 SUBACCOUNT SHALL NOT LAPSE TO THE GENERAL FUND NOR BE
- 17 TRANSFERRED TO ANY OTHER FUND OR ACCOUNT IN THE STATE TREASURY.
- 18 SECTION 403-A. ANNUAL DISPOSAL REPORT.
- 19 (A) BY MARCH 1, 1987, AND BY MARCH 1 OF EACH YEAR
- 20 THEREAFTER, A PERSON WHO SUBMITTED FOR OFFSITE DISPOSAL OR WHO
- 21 DISPOSED OF ONSITE MORE THAN 500 POUNDS OF HAZARDOUS WASTE IN
- 22 THIS COMMONWEALTH DURING THE PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR SHALL
- 23 REPORT TO THE DEPARTMENT THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF HAZARDOUS WASTE
- 24 WHICH THAT PERSON HAS SUBMITTED FOR DISPOSAL OR DISPOSED OF IN
- 25 THIS COMMONWEALTH DURING THE PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR. THIS
- 26 SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A PERSON WHO IS ALREADY PROVIDING
- 27 THIS INFORMATION TO THE DEPARTMENT.
- 28 (B) THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF HAZARDOUS WASTE REPORTED UNDER
- 29 SUBSECTION (A) SHALL BE THE TOTAL WEIGHT, MEASURED IN TONS, OF
- 30 ALL COMPONENTS OF THE WASTE IN THE FORM IN WHICH THE WASTE

- 1 EXISTED AT THE TIME OF SUBMISSION FOR DISPOSAL OR AT THE TIME OF
- 2 DISPOSAL.
- 3 (C) A PERSON WHO FAILS TO FILE THE REPORT REQUIRED BY THIS
- 4 SECTION SHALL BE LIABLE FOR A CIVIL PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED \$500
- 5 FOR EACH DAY THE VIOLATION CONTINUES. A PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY
- 6 FAILS TO FILE THE REPORT COMMITS A MISDEMEANOR OF THE THIRD
- 7 DEGREE AND SHALL, UPON CONVICTION, BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE OF
- 8 NOT MORE THAN \$25,000 OR TO IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE
- 9 YEAR, OR BOTH.
- 10 <u>SECTION 404-A. IMPOSITION OF ASSESSMENTS.</u>
- 11 (A) AFTER DECEMBER 31, 1986, AN ASSESSMENT SHALL BE IMPOSED
- 12 UPON PERSONS ENGAGED IN THE GENERATION OF HAZARDOUS WASTE WITHIN
- 13 THIS COMMONWEALTH. THE ASSESSMENT SHALL BE DETERMINED AS
- 14 FOLLOWS:
- 15 (1) TWELVE DOLLARS PER TON OF HAZARDOUS WASTE GENERATED
- 16 AFTER DECEMBER 31, 1986, WHICH IS DISPOSED OF IN A LANDFILL.
- 17 (2) NINE DOLLARS PER TON OF HAZARDOUS WASTE GENERATED
- 18 AFTER DECEMBER 31, 1986, WHICH IS TREATED OR DISPOSED OF,
- 19 EXCLUSIVE OF DISPOSAL IN A LANDFILL, IN A FACILITY LOCATED
- 20 OFF THE SITE OF THE GENERATION OF THE WASTE.
- 21 (3) TWO DOLLARS PER TON OF HAZARDOUS WASTE GENERATED
- 22 AFTER DECEMBER 31, 1986, WHICH IS INCINERATED ON THE SITE
- 23 WHERE THE WASTE IS GENERATED BY THE PERSON WHO GENERATED THE
- WASTE.
- 25 (B) AFTER DECEMBER 31, 1986, AN ASSESSMENT SHALL BE IMPOSED
- 26 UPON PERSONS HOLDING PERMITS FOR THE STORAGE, TREATMENT OR
- 27 DISPOSAL OF HAZARDOUS WASTE UNDER THIS ARTICLE. THE ASSESSMENT
- 28 SHALL BE DETERMINED AS FOLLOWS:
- 29 <u>(1) TWELVE DOLLARS PER TON OF HAZARDOUS WASTE WHICH IS</u>
- 30 <u>DISPOSED OF IN A LANDFILL AFTER DECEMBER 31, 1986.</u>

- 1 (2) NINE DOLLARS PER TON OF HAZARDOUS WASTE WHICH IS
- 2 TREATED OR DISPOSED OF, EXCLUSIVE OF DISPOSAL IN A LANDFILL
- 3 AFTER DECEMBER 31, 1986, IN A FACILITY LOCATED OFF THE SITE
- 4 WHERE THE WASTE IS GENERATED.
- 5 (3) NO ASSESSMENT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE IMPOSED
- 6 UPON DISPOSAL OF HAZARDOUS WASTE WHERE THE WASTE WAS
- 7 GENERATED BY PERSONS SUBJECT TO ASSESSMENT UNDER SUBSECTION
- 8 (A).
- 9 (C) NO PERSON SHALL BE REQUIRED TO PAY AN ASSESSMENT IN A
- 10 QUARTER IF THE AMOUNT DUE IS \$15 OR LESS PER QUARTER UNDER
- 11 <u>SUBSECTION (E).</u>
- 12 (D) GENERATORS OF HAZARDOUS WASTE WHO TREAT OR DISPOSE OF
- 13 HAZARDOUS WASTES ON THE SITE OF GENERATION AND WHO ARE SUBJECT
- 14 TO THE ASSESSMENTS IMPOSED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL SUBMIT TO
- 15 THE DEPARTMENT, ON A FORM APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT, QUARTERLY
- 16 REPORTS DETAILING THE QUANTITIES OF HAZARDOUS WASTES GENERATED
- 17 AT THE SITE. THE REPORT SHALL BE SUBMITTED BY THE 20TH DAY OF
- 18 THE MONTH AFTER THE END OF EACH QUARTER. THE FIRST REPORT SHALL
- 19 BE SUBMITTED BY APRIL 20, 1987. THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY
- 20 IF THE INFORMATION IS ALREADY BEING PROVIDED TO THE DEPARTMENT.
- 21 <u>(E) THE ASSESSMENTS IMPOSED BY THIS SECTION SHALL BE</u>
- 22 REPORTED AND PAID TO THE DEPARTMENT, ON A QUARTERLY BASIS, BY
- 23 THE 20TH DAY OF THE MONTH AFTER THE END OF EACH QUARTER. THE
- 24 PAYMENT SHALL BE ACCOMPANIED BY A RETURN IN A FORM PRESCRIBED BY
- 25 THE DEPARTMENT.
- 26 (F) FOLLOWING EACH QUARTERLY REPORTING DATE, THE SECRETARY
- 27 SHALL CERTIFY THE AMOUNT DEPOSITED IN THE ACCOUNT DURING THE
- 28 QUARTER AND THE CUMULATIVE AMOUNT COLLECTED SINCE THE START OF
- 29 THE CURRENT CALENDAR YEAR. IF THE SECRETARY CERTIFIES THAT THE
- 30 TOTAL ANNUAL AMOUNT COLLECTED AS OF THE END OF ANY QUARTER

- 1 EQUALS OR EXCEEDS \$10,000,000, NO ASSESSMENT SHALL BE COLLECTED
- 2 FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR.
- 3 (G) PENALTIES ARE AS FOLLOWS:
- 4 (1) IF A GENERATOR OR PERSON SUBJECT TO ASSESSMENT BY
- 5 THIS SECTION FAILS OR REFUSES TO FILE A RETURN OR TO FURNISH
- 6 INFORMATION REQUESTED IN WRITING BY THE DEPARTMENT, THE
- 7 DEPARTMENT MAY, FROM INFORMATION IN ITS POSSESSION, MAKE AN
- 8 ESTIMATE AND ISSUE AN ASSESSMENT AGAINST THE GENERATOR OR
- 9 PERSON AND MAY ADD A PENALTY OF 15% OF THE AMOUNT OF THE
- 10 ASSESSMENT SO DETERMINED. THIS PENALTY SHALL BE IN ADDITION
- 11 <u>TO OTHER APPLICABLE PENALTIES.</u>
- 12 (2) IF THE ASSESSMENT OR A PORTION OF THE ASSESSMENT
- 13 <u>IMPOSED BY THIS SECTION IS NOT PAID BY THE DATE PRESCRIBED</u>
- 14 FOR ITS PAYMENT, THERE SHALL BE COLLECTED, AS PART OF THE
- 15 ASSESSMENT, INTEREST UPON THE UNPAID AMOUNT AT THE RATE OF
- 16 10% A YEAR FROM THE DATE PRESCRIBED FOR ITS PAYMENT UNTIL
- 17 PAYMENT IS ACTUALLY MADE TO THE DEPARTMENT.
- 18 (H) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO THE COMMONWEALTH OR ITS
- 19 POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS.
- 20 (I) FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, GENERATION OF
- 21 HAZARDOUS WASTE DOES NOT INCLUDE RETRIEVAL OR CREATION OF
- 22 HAZARDOUS WASTE WHICH MUST BE DISPOSED OF DUE TO REMEDIATION OF
- 23 AN INACTIVE DISPOSAL SITE. NO ASSESSMENT SHALL BE IMPOSED UNDER
- 24 THIS SECTION ON THE RESOURCE RECOVERY OF HAZARDOUS WASTE,
- 25 INCLUDING APPROVED BOILER-WASTE FUEL-BURNING OPERATIONS.
- 26 <u>SECTION 405-A. REMOVAL OR REMEDY OF RELEASE OF HAZARDOUS WASTE.</u>
- 27 (A) SECTIONS 403-A AND 404-A DO NOT APPLY TO THE
- 28 COMMONWEALTH OR A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR A CONTRACTOR OF
- 29 <u>EITHER WHICH REMOVES OR REMEDIES A RELEASE, BY ANOTHER PERSON,</u>
- 30 OF HAZARDOUS WASTE. THIS SUBSECTION APPLIES TO ACTS PERFORMED

- 1 AFTER DECEMBER 31, 1986.
- 2 (B) THE PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR A RELEASE OF HAZARDOUS WASTE
- 3 WHICH HAS BEEN REMOVED OR REMEDIED BY THE COMMONWEALTH OR A
- 4 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR A CONTRACTOR OF EITHER SHALL SUBMIT TO
- 5 THE DEPARTMENT THE INFORMATION REQUIRED BY SECTION 403-A FOR THE
- 6 HAZARDOUS WASTE WHICH WAS RELEASED AND SHALL PAY THE ASSESSMENT
- 7 PROVIDED IN SECTION 404-A.
- 8 SECTION 406-A. VOLUNTARY HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION PROGRAM.
- 9 THE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 403-A AND THE
- 10 ASSESSMENT IMPOSED BY SECTION 404-A DO NOT APPLY TO HAZARDOUS
- 11 WASTES COLLECTED BY DESIGNATED COUNTY OFFICIALS WHICH RESULT
- 12 FROM VOLUNTARY HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION PROGRAMS IF THE TOTAL
- 13 QUANTITIES COLLECTED ARE LIMITED TO 1,000 KILOGRAMS OR LESS PER
- 14 MONTH FROM ALL SOURCES. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION,
- 15 <u>"VOLUNTARY HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION PROGRAM" MEANS A PROGRAM</u>
- 16 IN WHICH SMALL QUANTITIES OF HAZARDOUS WASTES ARE RECEIVED FROM
- 17 NONINDUSTRIAL SOURCES, STORED AND ULTIMATELY TRANSFERRED TO A
- 18 LICENSED HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL SITE.
- 19 <u>SECTION 407-A.</u> <u>DEPOSIT IN ACCOUNT.</u>
- 20 MONEY COLLECTED OR RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT UNDER SECTIONS
- 21 403-A THROUGH 406-A SHALL BE DEPOSITED IN THE ACCOUNT.
- 22 SECTION 408-A. QUALIFICATION.
- 23 (A) FOR RESPONSE ACTIONS TAKEN UNDER THE FEDERAL ACT, ONLY
- 24 THOSE COSTS FOR ACTIONS WHICH ARE CONSISTENT WITH THE
- 25 PRIORITIES, GUIDELINES, CRITERIA AND REGULATIONS CONTAINED IN
- 26 THE NATIONAL CONTINGENCY PLAN, AS REVISED AND REPUBLISHED, UNDER
- 27 SECTIONS 105 OF THE FEDERAL ACT (42 U.S.C. § 9605), SHALL
- 28 QUALIFY FOR EXPENDITURE BY THE SECRETARY UNDER SECTIONS 409-A
- 29 <u>AND 411-A.</u>
- 30 (B) FOR RESPONSE ACTIONS NOT TAKEN UNDER THE FEDERAL ACT OR

- 1 FOR RESPONSE ACTIONS TAKEN WHICH ARE NOT SPECIFICALLY ADDRESSED
- 2 BY THE PRIORITIES, GUIDELINES, CRITERIA AND REGULATIONS
- 3 CONTAINED IN THE NATIONAL CONTINGENCY PLAN THE COSTS SHALL ALSO
- 4 QUALIFY FOR EXPENDITURE BY THE SECRETARY UNDER SECTIONS 409-A
- 5 AND 411-A IF THEY ARE, TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT POSSIBLE,
- 6 CONSISTENT WITH THE PRIORITIES, GUIDELINES, CRITERIA AND
- 7 REGULATIONS CONTAINED IN THE NATIONAL CONTINGENCY PLAN FOR
- 8 SIMILAR RELEASES, SITUATIONS OR EVENTS.
- 9 (C) RESPONSE ACTIONS TAKEN UNDER THIS ARTICLE BY THE
- 10 DEPARTMENT, REGIONAL AGENCIES OR AGENCIES OF POLITICAL
- 11 SUBDIVISIONS MAY NOT DUPLICATE FEDERAL RESPONSE ACTIONS.
- 12 <u>SECTION 409-A. ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS AND EXPENSES.</u>
- (A) CONSISTENT WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 114(C) OF
- 14 THE FEDERAL ACT (42 U.S.C. § 9614(C)), MONEY IN THE ACCOUNT MAY
- 15 BE EXPENDED BY THE SECRETARY FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:
- 16 (1) THE COSTS AND EXPENSES REASONABLY NECESSARY FOR AND
- 17 INCIDENTAL TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF THIS ARTICLE BY THE
- 18 DEPARTMENT.
- 19 (2) THE STATE SHARE MANDATED UNDER SECTION 104(C)(3) OF
- 20 <u>THE FEDERAL ACT (42 U.S.C. § 9604(C)(3)).</u>
- 21 (3) THE PURCHASE BY THE COMMONWEALTH OR A POLITICAL
- 22 SUBDIVISION, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE SECRETARY, OF HAZARDOUS
- 23 SUBSTANCE RESPONSE EQUIPMENT AND OTHER PREPARATIONS FOR
- 24 RESPONSE TO A RELEASE OF HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES. EQUIPMENT
- 25 <u>SHALL BE PURCHASED IN A COST-EFFECTIVE MANNER, AFTER</u>
- 26 CONSIDERATION OF THE ADEQUACY OF EXISTING EQUIPMENT OWNED BY
- 27 THE COMMONWEALTH OR THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION AND OF THE
- 28 AVAILABILITY OF EQUIPMENT OWNED BY PRIVATE CONTRACTORS.
- 29 <u>(4) THE COST OF REMOVAL AND REMEDIAL ACTION INCURRED BY</u>
- 30 THE COMMONWEALTH OR A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION, WITH THE

- 1 APPROVAL OF THE SECRETARY, IN RESPONSE TO A RELEASE OR A
- 2 THREATENED RELEASE OF A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, TO THE EXTENT
- 3 THE COSTS ARE NOT REIMBURSED BY THE FEDERAL ACT.
- 4 (5) THE COST OF ACTIONS TAKEN UNDER SECTION 417-A(B), TO
- 5 THE EXTENT THAT THESE COSTS ARE NOT PAID BY THE FEDERAL ACT.
- 6 (6) COST INCURRED IN COOPERATION WITH THE AGENCY FOR
- 7 TOXIC SUBSTANCES AND DISEASE REGISTRY, ESTABLISHED UNDER
- 8 SECTION 104(I) OF THE FEDERAL ACT (42 U.S.C. § 9604(I)), AND
- 9 <u>COSTS OF HEALTH EFFECT STUDIES UNDERTAKEN REGARDING SPECIFIC</u>
- 10 SITES OR SPECIFIC SUBSTANCES AT SPECIFIC SITES. FUNDS
- 11 APPROPRIATED FOR THIS PURPOSE MAY NOT EXCEED \$500,000 IN A
- 12 FISCAL YEAR. THESE ACTIONS MAY NOT DUPLICATE REASONABLY
- 13 <u>AVAILABLE FEDERAL ACTIONS AND STUDIES.</u>
- 14 (B) THE SECRETARY SHALL EXPEND FEDERAL FUNDS WHICH HAVE BEEN
- 15 APPROPRIATED TO THE ACCOUNT CONSISTENT WITH THE REQUIREMENTS
- 16 SPECIFIED IN SECTION 114 OF THE FEDERAL ACT (42 U.S.C. § 9614)
- 17 AND FOR THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE FUNDS WERE PROVIDED TO THE
- 18 COMMONWEALTH.
- 19 <u>SECTION 410-A. APPROPRIATION ON SPECIFIC SITE BASIS.</u>
- 20 <u>APPROPRIATIONS MADE BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO THE ACCOUNT</u>
- 21 MAY BE MADE ON A SPECIFIC SITE BASIS. THESE FUNDS SHALL BE
- 22 EXPENDED ONLY FOR COSTS INCURRED IN RESTORING, REHABILITATING,
- 23 REPLACING OR ACQUIRING THE EQUIVALENT OF A NATURAL RESOURCE
- 24 INJURED, DEGRADED, DESTROYED OR LOST AS A RESULT OF A RELEASE OF
- 25 A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE AT A SPECIFIC SITE, TO THE EXTENT THAT THE
- 26 COSTS ARE NOT REIMBURSED UNDER THE FEDERAL ACT AND TAKING INTO
- 27 ACCOUNT PROCESSES OF NATURAL REHABILITATION, RESTORATION AND
- 28 <u>REPLACEMENT</u>.
- 29 <u>SECTION 411-A. REMOVAL OR REMEDIAL ACTION.</u>
- 30 (A) THE SECRETARY IS AUTHORIZED TO COORDINATE COMMONWEALTH

- 1 RESPONSE ACTIONS FOR SITES IDENTIFIED IN SECTION 412-A IN ORDER
- 2 TO ASSURE THE MAXIMUM USE OF AVAILABLE FEDERAL FUNDS.
- 3 (B) THE SECRETARY MAY INITIATE REMOVAL OR REMEDIAL ACTION
- 4 UNDER THIS ARTICLE UNLESS THESE ACTIONS HAVE BEEN TAKEN OR ARE
- 5 BEING TAKEN PROPERLY AND IN A TIMELY FASHION BY A RESPONSIBLE
- 6 PARTY.
- 7 (C) AT LEAST 30 DAYS BEFORE INITIATING REMOVAL OR REMEDIAL
- 8 ACTIONS, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL MAKE A REASONABLE EFFORT TO NOTIFY
- 9 THE PERSONS IDENTIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT AS POTENTIALLY
- 10 RESPONSIBLE PARTIES AND SHALL PUBLISH NOTICE OF THIS ACTION IN A
- 11 NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION IN THE AFFECTED AREA. NOTICE
- 12 SHALL BE BY REGISTERED OR CERTIFIED MAIL TO THE LAST KNOWN
- 13 ADDRESS OF THE PERSON IDENTIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT. THIS
- 14 SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO ACTIONS TAKEN UNDER SECTION 416-
- 15 A(B). A RESPONSIBLE PARTY MAY BE HELD LIABLE UNDER THIS ARTICLE
- 16 WHETHER OR NOT THE RESPONSIBLE PARTY RECEIVED THE NOTICE
- 17 SPECIFIED IN THIS SUBSECTION.
- 18 SECTION 412-A. CRITERIA FOR SELECTION AND PRIORITY RANKING.
- 19 (A) BY JANUARY 1, 1987, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROMULGATE
- 20 REGULATIONS SETTING FORTH THE CRITERIA FOR THE SELECTION AND
- 21 PRIORITY RANKING OF SITES FOR REMEDIAL ACTION UNDER THIS
- 22 ARTICLE. THEY SHALL TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE PERTINENT FACTORS
- 23 RELATING TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT, WHICH SHALL
- 24 INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO, POTENTIAL HAZARDS TO PUBLIC
- 25 HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT, THE RISK OF FIRE OR EXPLOSION, TOXIC
- 26 HAZARDS, AND THE CRITERIA ESTABLISHED UNDER SECTION 105(8) OF
- 27 THE FEDERAL ACT (42 U.S.C. § 9605(8)).
- 28 (B) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PREPARE AND REVISE, AT LEAST
- 29 ANNUALLY, A LIST OF THE PRIORITY RANKING OF SITES. THE LIST
- 30 SHALL BE TRANSMITTED TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY BY JANUARY 1 OF

- 1 EACH YEAR, EXCEPT THAT, FOR 1987, THE LIST SHALL BE SUBMITTED AS
- 2 SOON AS POSSIBLE BEFORE JANUARY 1, 1988. THE LIST SHALL BE
- 3 PUBLISHED AS A NOTICE IN THE PENNSYLVANIA BULLETIN. THE
- 4 DEPARTMENT SHALL BEAR THE COST OF PUBLICATION UNDER SECTION 409-
- 5 A(A)(1). THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PRIORITY RANKING OF SITES SHALL
- 6 BE SUBJECT TO THE REGULATIONS PROMULGATED UNDER SUBSECTION (A).
- 7 (C) CONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ARTICLE, MONEY IN
- 8 THE ACCOUNT SHALL BE EXPENDED IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE PRIORITY
- 9 RANKING OF SITES. NOTHING IN THIS SECTION SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO
- 10 PROHIBIT THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS ON MORE THAN ONE SITE ON THE
- 11 LIST AT ONE TIME.
- 12 <u>SECTION 413-A. REPORT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY.</u>
- 13 BY MARCH 1 OF EACH YEAR, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT
- 14 TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHICH SHALL CONTAIN ALL OF THE FOLLOWING
- 15 <u>INFORMATION:</u>
- 16 (1) THE ACTUAL FUNDS EXPENDED FOR EACH SITE LISTED
- 17 DURING THE PRECEDING FISCAL YEAR UNDER SECTION 412-A.
- 18 (2) THE COMMONWEALTH'S EFFORTS TO OBTAIN AVAILABLE
- 19 FEDERAL FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS ARTICLE.
- 20 (3) AN ACCOUNTING OF FEDERAL FUNDS WHICH HAVE BEEN
- OBTAINED BY OR COMMITTED TO THE COMMONWEALTH.
- 22 (4) THE COMMONWEALTH'S EFFORTS TO OBTAIN CONTRIBUTIONS
- 23 FOR REMOVAL OR REMEDIAL ACTIONS FROM POTENTIALLY RESPONSIBLE
- 24 PARTIES.
- 25 SECTION 414-A. FEDERAL FUNDS; COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.
- 26 THE COMMONWEALTH SHALL ACTIVELY SEEK TO OBTAIN FEDERAL FUNDS
- 27 TO WHICH IT IS ENTITLED UNDER THE FEDERAL ACT AND SHALL TAKE
- 28 ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTUAL OR COOPERATIVE
- 29 AGREEMENTS UNDER SECTIONS 104(C)(3) AND (D)(1) OF THE FEDERAL
- 30 ACT (42 U.S.C. § 9604(C)(3) AND (D)(1)).

- 1 SECTION 415-A. TRADE SECRETS.
- 2 (A) PROTECTION. -- THE DEPARTMENT MAY NOT DISCLOSE TRADE
- 3 SECRETS RECEIVED BY IT UNDER THIS ARTICLE, EXCEPT TO AUTHORIZED
- 4 REPRESENTATIVES, CONTRACTORS, OR OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES IN
- 5 <u>CONNECTION WITH THE DEPARTMENT'S RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER THIS</u>
- 6 ARTICLE. THE DEPARTMENT MAY ALSO MAKE AVAILABLE TO THE UNITED
- 7 STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY INFORMATION REQUIRED BY
- 8 LAW TO BE FURNISHED TO THAT AGENCY. THE SHARING OF INFORMATION
- 9 <u>BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT AND THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL</u>
- 10 PROTECTION AGENCY UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL NOT CONSTITUTE A
- 11 WAIVER BY THE DEPARTMENT OR AN AFFECTED PERSON OF A PRIVILEGE OF
- 12 CONFIDENTIALITY PROVIDED BY LAW WHICH PERTAINS TO THE
- 13 <u>INFORMATION. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL, BY REGULATION, ESTABLISH</u>
- 14 PROCEDURES TO ENSURE THAT TRADE SECRETS ARE UTILIZED ONLY IN
- 15 CONNECTION WITH THESE RESPONSIBILITIES AND ARE NOT OTHERWISE
- 16 DISSEMINATED WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF THE PERSON WHO PROVIDED THE
- 17 INFORMATION TO THE DEPARTMENT.
- 18 (B) PROCEDURE.--
- 19 (1) WHEN SUBMITTING INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THIS
- 20 ARTICLE, A PERSON SHALL IDENTIFY THE INFORMATION THAT THE
- 21 PERSON BELIEVES IS ENTITLED TO PROTECTION AS A TRADE SECRET
- 22 AND SHALL SUBMIT THE INFORMATION IDENTIFIED AS A TRADE SECRET
- 23 SEPARATELY FROM OTHER INFORMATION SUBMITTED UNDER THIS
- 24 ARTICLE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROCEDURES PRESCRIBED BY THE
- 25 <u>DEPARTMENT IN REGULATIONS UNDER SUBSECTION (A). INFORMATION</u>
- 26 NOT IDENTIFIED AS A TRADE SECRET SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO
- 27 THE PUBLIC UNLESS PROHIBITED FROM DISCLOSURE BY OTHER
- 28 <u>PROVISIONS OF LAW.</u>
- 29 <u>(2) A PERSON MAY REQUEST A REVIEW OF A TRADE SECRET</u>
- 30 <u>CLAIM. A REVIEW OF A TRADE SECRET CLAIM SHALL BE MADE IN THE</u>

- 1 SAME MANNER AS A REVIEW OF A TRADE SECRET CLAIM UNDER SECTION
- 2 <u>11 OF THE ACT OF OCTOBER 5, 1984 (P.L.734, NO.159), KNOWN AS</u>
- 3 THE WORKER AND COMMUNITY RIGHT-TO-KNOW ACT.
- 4 (C) PENALTY.--A PERSON WHO INTENTIONALLY AND KNOWINGLY
- 5 DISCLOSES TRADE SECRETS, EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE
- 6 PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION, COMMITS A MISDEMEANOR OF THE THIRD
- 7 DEGREE, AND SHALL, UPON CONVICTION, BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE
- 8 OF NOT MORE THAN \$5,000, OR TO IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN
- 9 ONE YEAR, OR BOTH.
- 10 <u>SECTION 416-A. EMERGENCIES.</u>
- 11 (A) WHENEVER THE SECRETARY DETERMINES THAT THERE MAY BE AN
- 12 IMMINENT OR SUBSTANTIAL ENDANGERMENT TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH OR
- 13 WELFARE OR TO THE ENVIRONMENT BECAUSE OF A RELEASE OR A
- 14 THREATENED RELEASE OF A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, THE SECRETARY MAY
- 15 TAKE THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:
- 16 (1) ORDER RESPONSIBLE PARTIES TO TAKE APPROPRIATE
- 17 REMOVAL OR REMEDIAL ACTION NECESSARY TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC
- 18 HEALTH AND SAFETY AND THE ENVIRONMENT. NO ORDER UNDER THIS
- 19 PARAGRAPH MAY BE MADE TO AN OWNER OF REAL PROPERTY SOLELY ON
- THE BASIS OF THAT OWNERSHIP.
- 21 (2) TAKE OR CONTRACT FOR NECESSARY REMOVAL OR REMEDIAL
- 22 ACTION.
- 23 (3) REQUEST THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO SECURE RELIEF
- 24 NECESSARY TO ABATE THE DANGER OR THREAT. COMMONWEALTH COURT
- 25 <u>SHALL HAVE JURISDICTION TO GRANT SUCH RELIEF AS THE PUBLIC</u>
- 26 <u>INTEREST AND EQUITIES OF THE CASE MAY REQUIRE.</u>
- 27 (B) RELEASE OF SUBSTANCES.--WHEN THE SECRETARY DETERMINES
- 28 THAT A RELEASE OF A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE HAS OCCURRED OR IS ABOUT
- 29 TO OCCUR, THE SECRETARY MAY TAKE THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS, IN
- 30 ADDITION TO OTHER ACTIONS WHICH MAY BE AUTHORIZED BY THIS

- 1 ARTICLE:
- 2 (1) UNDERTAKE INVESTIGATIONS, MONITORING, SURVEYS,
- 3 <u>TESTING AND OTHER INFORMATION GATHERING NECESSARY TO IDENTIFY</u>
- 4 THE EXISTENCE, SOURCE, NATURE AND EXTENT TO THE HAZARDOUS
- 5 SUBSTANCES INVOLVED AND THE EXTENT OF DANGER TO THE PUBLIC
- 6 HEALTH OR ENVIRONMENT.
- 7 (2) UNDERTAKE PLANNING AND LEGAL, FISCAL, ECONOMIC,
- 8 ENGINEERING, ARCHITECTURAL AND OTHER STUDIES OR
- 9 <u>INVESTIGATIONS NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE TO PLAN AND DIRECT</u>
- 10 RESPONSE ACTIONS, TO RECOVER THE COSTS OF THOSE ACTIONS, AND
- 11 <u>TO ENFORCE THIS ARTICLE.</u>
- 12 (C) WHEN THERE IS A RELEASE OR THREATENED RELEASE OF A
- 13 HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE INTO THE ENVIRONMENT, THE SECRETARY MAY TAKE
- 14 NECESSARY REMOVAL OR REMEDIAL ACTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS
- 15 ARTICLE.
- 16 <u>SECTION 417-A.</u> <u>BIDDING FOR REMEDIAL OR REMOVAL ACTIONS.</u>
- 17 (A) THE DEPARTMENT MAY PREQUALIFY BIDDERS FOR REMEDIAL OR
- 18 REMOVAL ACTIONS TAKEN UNDER SECTION 416-A. THE DEPARTMENT MAY
- 19 REJECT THE BID OF A PROSPECTIVE BIDDER THAT HAS NOT BEEN
- 20 PREQUALIFIED.
- 21 (B) TO PREQUALIFY BIDDERS, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADOPT, BY
- 22 REGULATION, AND APPLY A UNIFORM SYSTEM OF RATING BIDDERS. IN
- 23 ORDER TO OBTAIN INFORMATION FOR RATING, THE DEPARTMENT MAY
- 24 REQUIRE FROM PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS,
- 25 INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, QUESTIONS ABOUT THE BIDDER'S
- 26 FINANCIAL ABILITY; THE BIDDER'S EXPERIENCE IN REMOVAL AND
- 27 REMEDIAL ACTION INVOLVING HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES; THE BIDDER'S
- 28 PAST SAFETY RECORD; AND THE BIDDER'S PAST PERFORMANCE ON
- 29 FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROJECTS. THE DEPARTMENT MAY
- 30 ALSO REOUIRE PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS TO SUBMIT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

- 1 (C) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL UTILIZE THE BUSINESS FINANCIAL DATA
- 2 AND INFORMATION SUBMITTED BY A BIDDER UNDER THIS SECTION ONLY
- 3 FOR THE PURPOSES OF PREQUALIFYING BIDDERS AND SHALL NOT
- 4 OTHERWISE DISCLOSE THIS DATA OR INFORMATION.
- 5 SECTION 418-A. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.
- 6 (A) UPON WRITTEN REQUEST BY A PERSON AFFECTED BY A RESPONSE
- 7 ACTION TAKEN UNDER THIS ARTICLE, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL HOLD A
- 8 PUBLIC MEETING IN THE VICINITY OF THE LOCATION OF THE RELEASE OR
- 9 THREATENED RELEASE. NOTICE OF THE MEETING SHALL BE GIVEN IN
- 10 ACCORDANCE WITH THE ACT OF JULY 19, 1974 (P.L.486, NO.175),
- 11 REFERRED TO AS THE PUBLIC AGENCY OPEN MEETING LAW. AT THE PUBLIC
- 12 MEETING, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL MAKE AVAILABLE ALL INFORMATION IN
- 13 ITS POSSESSION WHICH RELATES TO THE RELEASE OR THREATENED
- 14 RELEASE AND THE RESPONSE ACTION EXCEPT FOR THAT INFORMATION
- 15 WHICH IS PROTECTED FROM DISCLOSURE BY THIS ARTICLE OR BY STATE
- 16 OR FEDERAL LAW. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PERMIT A PERSON, UPON
- 17 REQUEST, TO TESTIFY AND TO PRESENT EVIDENCE RELATIVE TO THE
- 18 RELEASE OR THREATENED RELEASE AND THE RESPONSE ACTION.
- 19 (B) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DEVELOP AND MAKE AVAILABLE TO THE
- 20 PUBLIC A SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES FOR EACH SITE FOR WHICH REMEDIAL
- 21 ACTION IS EXPECTED TO BE TAKEN BY THE DEPARTMENT UNDER THIS
- 22 ARTICLE AND SHALL MAKE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC A PLAN PROVIDED
- 23 TO THE DEPARTMENT BY A RESPONSIBLE PARTY UNLESS THE DEPARTMENT
- 24 IS PROHIBITED FROM RELEASING INFORMATION BY STATE OR FEDERAL
- 25 LAW.
- 26 <u>SECTION 419-A. LIABILITY.</u>
- 27 (A) A PERSON WHO RELEASES OR THREATENS TO RELEASE A
- 28 HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE INTO THE ENVIRONMENT SHALL BE LIABLE TO THE
- 29 <u>DEPARTMENT FOR COSTS INCURRED BY IT IN TAKING A RESPONSE ACTION</u>
- 30 RELATED TO THE RELEASE OR THREATENED RELEASE. THE DEPARTMENT MAY

- 1 RECOVER COSTS IN AN ACTION IN EQUITY BROUGHT BEFORE COMMONWEALTH
- 2 COURT. THE DEPARTMENT MAY ALSO RECOVER AN ADMINISTRATIVE COST
- 3 EQUAL TO 10% OF THE COSTS INCURRED IN TAKING THE RESPONSE ACTION
- 4 OR \$500, WHICHEVER IS GREATER.
- 5 (B) A PARTY FOUND LIABLE FOR COSTS INCURRED IN TAKING A
- 6 RESPONSE ACTION WHO ESTABLISHES BY A PREPONDERANCE OF THE
- 7 EVIDENCE THAT ONLY A PORTION OF THE COSTS ARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO
- 8 THE PARTY'S ACTIONS SHALL BE LIABLE FOR THAT PORTION OF THE
- 9 COSTS.
- 10 (C) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO DEPRIVE A
- 11 PARTY OF A DEFENSE AVAILABLE IN EQUITY.
- 12 <u>SECTION 420-A. PUNITIVE DAMAGES.</u>
- 13 (A) A PERSON WHO RELEASES OR THREATENS TO RELEASE A
- 14 HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE AND WHO FAILS TO PROVIDE APPROPRIATE REMOVAL
- 15 OR REMEDIAL ACTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN ORDER OF THE SECRETARY
- 16 OR OF COMMONWEALTH COURT ISSUED UNDER SECTION 416-A SHALL BE
- 17 <u>LIABLE TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR PUNITIVE DAMAGES IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL</u>
- 18 TO THREE TIMES THE AMOUNT OF COSTS INCURRED BY THE DEPARTMENT AS
- 19 A RESULT OF THE FAILURE OF THE PERSON TO PROPERLY CARRY OUT THE
- 20 ORDER. THE DEPARTMENT MAY RECOVER PUNITIVE DAMAGES IN AN ACTION
- 21 BROUGHT BEFORE COMMONWEALTH COURT.
- 22 (B) THERE SHALL BE NO RECOVERY OF PUNITIVE DAMAGES UNDER
- 23 THIS SECTION FOR INJURY TO NATURAL RESOURCES WHICH OCCURRED
- 24 WHOLLY BEFORE JANUARY 1, 1987. THIS SECTION SHALL NOT BE
- 25 CONSTRUED AS PRECLUDING THE RECOVERY OF PUNITIVE DAMAGES FOR
- 26 <u>INJURY TO OR LOSS OF NATURAL RESOURCES IN AN ACTION BROUGHT</u>
- 27 PURSUANT TO ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW.
- 28 <u>SECTION 421-A. EXCULPATORY INSTRUMENTS.</u>
- NO INDEMNIFICATION, HOLD-HARMLESS, OR SIMILAR AGREEMENT OR
- 30 CONVEYANCE SHALL BE EFFECTIVE TO TRANSFER LIABILITY FOR COSTS OR

- 1 DAMAGES RECOVERABLE UNDER THIS ARTICLE. THIS SECTION DOES NOT
- 2 BAR AN AGREEMENT TO INSURE, HOLD HARMLESS OR INDEMNIFY A PARTY
- 3 FOR LIABILITY UNDER THIS ARTICLE.
- 4 SECTION 422-A. COLLATERAL ESTOPPEL.
- 5 THE ENTRY OF A JUDGMENT AGAINST A PARTY TO AN ACTION TO
- 6 RECOVER COSTS SHALL NOT BE DEEMED TO BAR A FUTURE ACTION BY THE
- 7 DEPARTMENT AGAINST ANY OTHER PERSON FOR COSTS INCURRED RELATING
- 8 TO THE SAME RESPONSE ACTION IF THE ORIGINAL PARTY WAS FOUND
- 9 LIABLE FOR ONLY A PORTION OF THE COSTS INCURRED UNDER SECTION
- 10 419-A(B).
- 11 <u>SECTION 423-A. CONSTRUCTION OF ARTICLE.</u>
- 12 (A) THIS ARTICLE SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED TO IMPOSE ANY NEW
- 13 LIABILITY ASSOCIATED WITH ACTS THAT OCCURRED ON OR BEFORE
- 14 JANUARY 1, 1987, IF THOSE ACTS WERE NOT IN VIOLATION OF EXISTING
- 15 STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS OR REGULATIONS AT THE TIME THE ACTS
- 16 <u>OCCURRED</u>.
- 17 (B) NOTHING IN THIS ARTICLE SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO AUTHORIZE
- 18 RECOVERY FOR COSTS INCURRED OR DAMAGES FOR A RELEASE AUTHORIZED
- 19 PURSUANT TO LAW.
- 20 (C) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 419-A, NOTHING IN THIS
- 21 ARTICLE SHALL AFFECT OR MODIFY THE OBLIGATIONS OR LIABILITY OF A
- 22 PERSON UNDER ANY OTHER PROVISION OF STATE OR FEDERAL LAW, FOR
- 23 DAMAGES, INJURY OR LOSS RESULTING FROM A RELEASE OR FROM REMOVAL
- 24 OR REMEDIAL ACTION OR FOR THE COSTS OF REMOVAL OR REMEDIAL
- 25 ACTION OF HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES.
- 26 <u>SECTION 424-A. CIVIL PENALTY.</u>
- 27 A PERSON WHO INTENTIONALLY MAKES A FALSE STATEMENT OR
- 28 REPRESENTATION IN A REPORT OR INFORMATION FURNISHED TO THE
- 29 <u>DEPARTMENT OR WHO INTENTIONALLY FAILS TO PROVIDE ANY INFORMATION</u>
- 30 REQUESTED PURSUANT TO REGULATIONS PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ARTICLE

- 1 SHALL BE LIABLE FOR A CIVIL PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED \$25,000 FOR
- 2 EACH SEPARATE VIOLATION, OR FOR EACH DAY DURING WHICH THE
- 3 VIOLATION CONTINUES.
- 4 <u>SECTION 425-A.</u> <u>DEPOSIT OF MONEY IN ACCOUNT.</u>
- 5 MONEY RECOVERED UNDER SECTIONS 419-A THROUGH 424-A SHALL BE
- 6 <u>DEPOSITED IN THE ACCOUNT.</u>
- 7 SECTION 426-A. REGULATIONS.
- 8 THE DEPARTMENT MAY PROMULGATE REGULATIONS FOR THE
- 9 <u>ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THIS ARTICLE.</u>
- 10 Section 2 4. Section 502(b) of the act is amended to read: <-
- 11 Section 502. Permit and license application requirements.
- 12 * * *
- 13 (b) The application for a permit to operate a hazardous
- 14 waste storage, treatment or disposal facility shall also be
- 15 accompanied by a form, prepared and furnished by the department,
- 16 containing the written consent of the landowner to entry upon
- 17 any land to be affected by the proposed facility by the
- 18 Commonwealth, the host municipality or the county wherein the
- 19 host municipality is located and by any of [its] THEIR
- 20 authorized agents prior to and during operation of the facility
- 21 and for 20 years after closure of the facility, for the purpose
- 22 of inspection and for the purpose of any such pollution
- 23 abatement or pollution prevention activities as the department
- 24 deems necessary. Such forms shall be deemed to be recordable
- 25 documents and prior to the initiation of operations under the
- 26 permit, such forms shall be recorded and entered into the deed
- 27 book (d.b.v.) indexing system at the office of the recorder of
- 28 deeds in the counties in which the area to be affected under the
- 29 permit is situated.
- 30 * * *

- 1 Section 3 5. Section 503 of the act is amended by adding a
- 2 subsection to read:
- 3 Section 503. Granting, denying, renewing, modifying, revoking
- 4 and suspending permits and licenses.
- 5 * * *
- 6 (f) Every permit or license and any modification or renewal
- 7 thereof shall be issued and the continued use of any existing
- 8 permit or license shall be upon the condition that the permittee
- 9 or licensee complies with the provisions of section 608 of this
- 10 act. Failure to comply with such provisions shall subject the
- 11 permit or license to revocation or suspension.
- 12 Section 4 6. Section 504 of the act is amended to read:
- 13 Section 504. Approval by governing body.
- 14 (a) Applications for a permit shall be reviewed by the
- 15 appropriate county, county planning agency or county health
- 16 department where they exist and the host municipality, and they
- 17 may recommend to the department conditions upon, revisions to,
- 18 or disapproval of the permit only if specific cause is
- 19 identified. In such case the department shall be required to
- 20 publish in the Pennsylvania Bulletin its justification for
- 21 overriding the county's recommendations. If the department does
- 22 not receive comments within 60 days, the county shall be deemed
- 23 to have waived its right to review.
- (b) The host municipality, in which a proposed storage,
- 25 <u>treatment or disposal site of hazardous waste is to be located,</u>
- 26 <u>shall have the authority to object to the issuance of a permit</u>
- 27 or license for the storage, treatment or disposal of hazardous
- 28 <u>waste</u>. The governing body of such a municipality shall arrive at
- 29 its decision, within 90 days, in an open public meeting and
- 30 after holding at least one public hearing on the subject. Upon

- 1 objection by the governing body, the municipality shall
- 2 <u>immediately notify the department. The department shall have 30</u>
- 3 days to reply to the host municipality's objections. During this
- 4 30-day period the department must hold at least one public
- 5 hearing in the host municipality to take testimony on the
- 6 advisability of issuing a permit. If at the end of this 30-day
- 7 period the department has determined to issue the permit, there
- 8 shall be an additional 30-day period in which the applicant, the
- 9 host municipality and the department may negotiate for an
- 10 agreement. Such agreement may provide for reasonable fees and
- 11 compensation to be paid by the applicant to the municipality for
- 12 <u>reasonable measures to protect the public health and safety, the</u>
- 13 environment and the economy of the host municipality. Such an
- 14 agreement may also provide for reasonable payments to
- 15 individuals residing in the host municipality for reduced
- 16 property values and other costs and damages an individual may
- 17 <u>incur as a result of the siting of a hazardous waste facility in</u>
- 18 the municipality.
- 19 (c) In the event that the department is unable to overcome
- 20 the objections of the host municipality within the second 30-day
- 21 time period, the court of common pleas shall appoint an
- 22 arbitrator who shall meet with the host municipality, the
- 23 applicant and the department. The parties shall have 60 days to
- 24 reach an agreement. If no agreement is reached at the end of 60
- 25 days, the decision of the arbitrator shall take effect. The
- 26 <u>decision of the arbitrator may be appealed to the court of</u>
- 27 common pleas by the host municipality, the applicant or the
- 28 <u>department within 30 days of the date of the decision of the</u>
- 29 <u>arbitrator</u>.
- 30 (d) The host municipality may by ordinance create zoning

- 1 rules, require permits for and create environmental rules and
- 2 regulations equal to or more stringent than the Commonwealth's
- 3 on the siting and operation of a hazardous waste site FACILITY, <-
- 4 PROVIDED THAT SUCH ORDINANCES DO NOT PRECLUDE OR PROHIBIT THE
- 5 SITING OR CONTINUED OPERATION OF HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITIES.
- 6 SECTION 7. SECTION 507 OF THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING A
- 7 SUBSECTION TO READ:
- 8 SECTION 507. SITING OF HAZARDOUS WASTE TREATMENT AND DISPOSAL
- 9 FACILITIES.
- 10 * * *
- 11 (H) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REVIEWS CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO THIS
- 12 ACT, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT ISSUE ANY PERMIT FOR, OR ALLOW THE
- 13 OPERATION OF, ANY HAZARDOUS WASTE TREATMENT FACILITY OR
- 14 HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL FACILITY WITHIN TWO MILES OF ANY PUBLIC
- 15 FACILITY OR BUILDING WHICH IS OWNED BY A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR A
- 16 PRIVATE OR PAROCHIAL SCHOOL.
- 17 Section $\frac{5}{8}$ 8. The act is amended by adding a section to read: <---
- 18 Section 508. Imposition and use of fee.
- 19 (a) Persons engaged in this Commonwealth in the business of
- 20 <u>operating a solid waste disposal site shall pay a fee to cover</u>
- 21 the cost of establishing emergency plans and funds to deal with
- 22 the possibility of problems occurring from that site, namely
- 23 groundwater contamination.
- 24 (b) The fee shall be used by the department for:
- 25 (1) Establishment and maintenance of emergency plans
- 26 <u>prepared by the department, other Commonwealth agencies</u>,
- 27 school districts or municipalities.
- 28 (2) Purchase of protective and emergency supplies and
- 29 <u>equipment to deal with groundwater contamination</u>.
- 30 (3) Financial assistance to municipalities, school

- districts and State agencies to carry out any remedial action
- 2 <u>for groundwater contamination</u>.
- 3 (c) Within 30 days after the beginning of each fiscal year
- 4 of the Commonwealth, each person who possessed a permit or
- 5 operating license issued by the department for a solid waste
- 6 <u>disposal site during any portion of the previous fiscal year</u>
- 7 shall pay to the department an annual fee to be determined by
- 8 the department. The fee shall be placed into the Solid Waste
- 9 Abatement Fund for use by the department under the requirements
- 10 of this section.
- 11 Section 6 9. Sections 608 and 609 of the act are amended to <
- 12 read:
- 13 Section 608. Production of materials; recordkeeping
- 14 requirements; rights of entry.
- 15 <u>(a)</u> The department and its agents and employees shall:
- 16 (1) Have access to, and require the production of, books
- and papers, documents, and physical evidence pertinent to any
- 18 matter under investigation.
- 19 (2) Require any person or municipality engaged in the
- storage, transportation, processing, treatment or disposal of
- 21 any solid waste to establish and maintain such records and
- 22 make such reports and furnish such information as the
- 23 department may prescribe.
- 24 (3) Enter any building, property, premises or place
- where solid waste is generated, stored, processed, treated or
- disposed of for the purposes of making such investigation or
- 27 inspection as may be necessary to ascertain the compliance or
- 28 noncompliance by any person or municipality with the
- 29 provisions of this act and the rules or regulations
- 30 promulgated hereunder. In connection with such inspection or

- 1 investigation, samples may be taken of any solid, semisolid,
- 2 liquid or contained gaseous material for analysis. If any
- analysis is made of such samples, a copy of the results of
- 4 the analysis shall be furnished within five business days to
- 5 the person having apparent authority over the building,
- 6 property, premises or place.
- 7 (b) The powers granted to the department in subsection
- 8 (a)(1) and (3) are hereby granted to the host municipality, the
- 9 county wherein the host municipality is located and the
- 10 <u>designated agents and employees of such municipality and county.</u>
- 11 Section 609. Search warrants.
- 12 An agent or employee of the department or a designated agent
- 13 or employee of the host municipality or county may apply for a
- 14 search warrant to any Commonwealth official authorized to issue
- 15 a search warrant for the purposes of inspecting or examining any
- 16 property, building, premise, place, book, record or other
- 17 physical evidence, of conducting tests, or of taking samples of
- 18 any solid waste. Such warrant shall be issued upon probable
- 19 cause. It shall be sufficient probable cause to show any of the
- 20 following:
- 21 (1) that the inspection, examination, test, or sampling
- is pursuant to a general administrative plan to determine
- compliance with this act;
- 24 (2) that the agent or employee has reason to believe
- 25 that a violation of this act has occurred or may occur; or
- 26 (3) that the agent or employee has been refused access
- 27 to the property, building, premise, place, book, record or
- 28 physical evidence, or has been prevented from conducting
- 29 tests or taking samples.
- 30 Section 7 10. This act shall take effect in 60 days.