THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL No. 2952 Session of 1990

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON CONSERVATION, OCTOBER 2, 1990

AN ACT

Amending the act of December 15, 1955 (P.L.865, No.256), 1 entitled "An act requiring rents and royalties from oil and 2 3 gas leases of Commonwealth land to be placed in a special fund to be used for conservation, recreation, dams, and flood 4 5 control; authorizing the Secretary of Forests and Waters to determine the need for and location of such projects and to 6 acquire the necessary land, " further providing for the use of 7 8 moneys in the fund.

9 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

10 hereby enacts as follows:

11 Section 1. Section 1 of the act of December 15, 1955 12 (P.L.865, No.256) entitled "An act requiring rents and royalties from oil and gas leases of Commonwealth land to be placed in a 13 14 special fund to be used for conservation, recreation, dams, and 15 flood control; authorizing the Secretary of Forests and Waters to determine the need for and location of such projects and to 16 17 acquire the necessary land, " is amended to read: 18 Section 1. [All] Except as provided in section 1.1, all

19 rents and royalties from oil and gas leases of any land owned by

the Commonwealth, except rents and royalties received from game 1 and fish lands, shall be placed in a special fund to be known as 2 3 the "Oil and Gas Lease Fund" which fund shall be exclusively 4 used for conservation, recreation, dams, or flood control or to match any Federal grants which may be made for any of the 5 aforementioned purposes. 6 7 Section 2. The act is amended by adding a section to read: 8 Section 1.1. All rents and royalties from oil and gas leases 9 of any State park and State forest, except rents and royalties received from game and fish lands, shall be placed in the Oil 10 and Gas Lease Fund to be used exclusively to maintain and 11 12 preserve the State parks and State forests of this Commonwealth. 13 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.