

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 590 Session of 1993

INTRODUCED BY CAWLEY, MARCH 15, 1993

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON CONSERVATION, MARCH 15, 1993

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of July 7, 1980 (P.L.380, No.97), entitled "An
 2 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;
 6 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
 10 facilities; and licenses for transportation of hazardous
 11 waste; imposing duties on persons and municipalities;
 12 granting powers to municipalities; authorizing the
 13 Environmental Quality Board and the Department of
 14 Environmental Resources to adopt rules, regulations,
 15 standards and procedures; granting powers to and imposing
 16 duties upon county health departments; providing remedies;
 17 prescribing penalties; and establishing a fund," further
 18 providing for the disposal, processing and storage of
 19 municipal waste.

20 The General Assembly finds as follows:

21 (1) The Commonwealth needs to insure that waste disposal
 22 sites can be properly monitored and controlled.

23 (2) The Commonwealth needs to minimize the
 24 environmental, economic, social and aesthetic impact of waste
 25 disposal sites on surrounding communities.

26 (3) The Commonwealth needs to prevent the construction

1 of massive sites in one location in order to minimize local
2 negative impact and to facilitate effective monitoring
3 programs and, when necessary, practical remediation and
4 control programs.

5 (4) The Commonwealth needs to insure disposal capacity
6 for waste generated within its borders.

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

9 Section 1. The act of July 7, 1980 (P.L.380, No.97), known
10 as the Solid Waste Management Act, is amended by adding a
11 section to read:

12 Section 204. Disposal, processing and storage of municipal
13 waste.

14 It shall be unlawful for any person or municipality who
15 stores, processes or disposes of municipal waste:

16 (1) to create or operate a disposal site on more than
17 100 contiguous acres;

18 (2) to locate or operate a disposal site within 5,000
19 feet of another disposal site;

20 (3) to create or operate a disposal site which exceeds
21 the elevation of adjacent land by more than 50 feet;

22 (4) to create or operate a disposal site which will have
23 a depth of more than 100 feet of waste; or

24 (5) to accept more than 2,000 tons of waste per day.

25 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.