

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2404 Session of
1993

INTRODUCED BY DeWEESE, DECEMBER 15, 1993

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, DECEMBER 15, 1993

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, providing for the imposition of pollution abatement
3 surcharges on licenses and permits.

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

6 Section 1. Chapter 5 of Title 34 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subchapter to read:

8 CHAPTER 5

9 FISCAL AFFAIRS

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11 SUBCHAPTER F

12 SURCHARGES

13 Sec.

14 571. Pollution abatement surcharges.

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16 (a) Surcharges imposed.--In order to prevent injury to plant
17 and animal life and to protect the comfort and convenience of
18 the public in the use of land and water resources of this

1 Commonwealth, pollution abatement surcharges shall be imposed
2 upon all licenses and permits issued under section 2709
3 (relating to license costs and fees) or 2904 (relating to permit
4 fees) as follows:

5 (1) For licenses or permits for which a fee of up to and
6 including \$15 is charged, a pollution abatement fee of 50¢
7 shall be collected by the commission.

8 (2) For licenses or permits for which a fee exceeding
9 \$15 is charged, a pollution abatement fee of \$1 shall be
10 collected by the commission.

11 (3) A surcharge shall not be imposed upon licenses
12 exempt from fees under section 2706 (relating to resident
13 license and fee exemptions).

14 (b) Deposit of surcharge revenue.--All surcharges collected
15 under subsection (a) shall be deposited into the General Fund
16 and transferred quarterly into the Land and Water Development
17 Sinking Fund established in section 9 of the act of January 19,
18 1968 (1967 P.L.996, No.443), known as The Land and Water
19 Conservation and Reclamation Act. The surcharge revenues which
20 are deposited into the Land and Water Development Sinking Fund
21 are hereby appropriated to the Department of Environmental
22 Resources to be used only for the prevention, control and
23 elimination of pollution from mine drainage and the restoration
24 of abandoned mine lands.

25 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 1994.