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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, JANUARY 26, 1995

AN ACT

- 1 Amending the act of July 6, 1989 (P.L.169, No.32), entitled "An
 - act providing for the regulation of storage tanks and tank
- 3 facilities; imposing additional powers and duties on the
- 4 Department of Environmental Resources and the Environmental
- 5 Quality Board; and making an appropriation, providing for
- 6 reimbursement for testing.
- 7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 8 hereby enacts as follows:

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- 9 Section 1. The act of July 6, 1989 (P.L.169, No.32), known
- 10 as the Storage Tank and Spill Prevention Act, is amended by
- 11 adding a section to read:
- 12 <u>Section 507</u>. <u>Reimbursement for testing</u>.
- 13 (a) Federal requirements.--The department shall reimburse
- 14 the owners of underground storage tanks for the cost of routine
- 15 testing and monitoring requirements which exceed the minimum
- 16 routine testing and monitoring requirements established by the
- 17 <u>United States Environmental Protection Agency.</u>
- 18 (b) No-fault testing.--The department shall reimburse the

- 1 owners of underground storage tanks for the cost of any testing,
- 2 monitoring or hydrogeologic studies required to determine if a
- 3 tank owner is responsible for the release of a regulated
- 4 <u>substance or contamination by a regulated substance where the</u>
- 5 results of the testing, monitoring and hydrogeologic studies
- 6 show the tank owner was not the source of the release or
- 7 contamination and where the tank owner cooperated fully with the
- 8 <u>department in the investigation</u>.
- 9 (c) Fund.--The department shall use funds from the Storage
- 10 Tank Fund established in section 702 to provide the
- 11 reimbursements required by this section.
- 12 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.