

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY HANNA, PESCI, BAKER, SURRA, COY, BELFANTI,
LAUGHLIN, TRELLO, JADLOWIEC AND YOUNGBLOOD, MARCH 20, 1995

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, MARCH 20, 1995

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), entitled
2 "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the
3 executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the
4 Executive Department thereof and the administrative
5 departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof,
6 including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or
7 Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or
8 authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative
9 departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and
10 duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative
11 officers, and of the several administrative departments,
12 boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the
13 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive
14 and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of
15 certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and
16 other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards,
17 and commissions; and prescribing the manner in which the
18 number and compensation of the deputies and all other
19 assistants and employes of certain departments, boards and
20 commissions shall be determined," providing that a portion of
21 revenues from Commonwealth timber, oil and gas sales be
22 distributed to forest districts, school districts and
23 townships in the contiguous area.

24 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
25 hereby enacts as follows:

26 Section 1. Section 1902-A of the act of April 9, 1929
27 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, is
28 amended by adding a clause to read:

Section 1902-A. Forest Powers and Duties.--The Department of Environmental Resources shall have the power, and its duty shall be:

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(6.1) To distribute a per centum of the net receipts gained from sales of timber, oil, gas or the right to extract timber, oil or gas from lands under direct control of the Department of Environmental Resources, excluding revenues to the Oil and Gas Lease Fund, in the following manner:

(i) Six per centum (6%) to the host school district from which the timber, oil or gas is derived.

(ii) Six per centum (6%) to the host township from which the timber, oil or gas is derived.

(iii) Six per centum (6%) to the forestry district from which the timber, oil or gas is derived.

(iv) All distributions shall be used by the appropriate host authority in a manner which benefits the environment or educational system of the host authority.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect in 90 days.