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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY,  
MARCH 25, 1998

AN ACT

1 Requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to return  
2 to political subdivisions and municipal authorities for use  
3 in corrective action 80% of fines and assessments received  
4 from the political subdivisions and municipal authorities  
5 either directly or through the Federal Environmental  
6 Protection Agency.

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

9 Section 1. Short title.

10 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Municipal  
11 Sanctions Refund Act.

12 Section 2. Definitions.

13 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall  
14 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the  
15 context clearly indicates otherwise:

16 "Department." The Department of Environmental Protection of  
17 the Commonwealth.

18 Section 3. Return of portion of fines.

1       The department shall return to each political subdivision and  
2       municipal authority 80% of all fines and assessments received  
3       from the political subdivision or municipal authority, either  
4       directly or through the Federal Environmental Protection Agency.

5       Section 4.   Use of fines.

6       Fines returned to political subdivisions and municipal  
7       authorities under this act shall be used to correct the problems  
8       which resulted in the levying of the fines and assessments.

9       Section 5.   Reporting.

10       Each political subdivision and municipal authority receiving  
11       funds under this act shall, not less than quarterly, submit a  
12       detailed report to the department relating to the use of the  
13       funds, and shall submit a final report when all funds are  
14       expended or a project is completed, whichever occurs first.

15       Section 6.   Effective date.

16       This act shall take effect immediately.