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SOLOBAY, STABACK, STERN, SURRA, WATSON, WOJNAROSKI AND
YOUNGBLOOD, MAY 9, 2001

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY,
MAY 9, 2001

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of May 1, 1984 (P.L.206, No.43), entitled "An
2 act providing for safe drinking water; imposing powers and
3 duties on the Department of Environmental Resources in
4 relation thereto; and appropriating certain funds," further
5 providing for powers and duties of the Environmental Quality
6 Board.

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

9 Section 1. Section 4(a) of the act of May 1, 1984 (P.L.206,
10 No.43), known as the Pennsylvania Safe Drinking Water Act, is
11 amended to read:

12 Section 4. Powers and duties of Environmental Quality Board.

13 (a) Board to establish standards, rules and regulations.--

14 (1) The Environmental Quality Board shall have the power
15 and its duty shall be to adopt such rules and regulations of
16 the department, governing the provision of drinking water to
17 the public, as it deems necessary for the implementation of

1 the provisions of this act.

2 (2) The board shall adopt maximum contaminant levels and
3 treatment technique requirements no less stringent than those
4 promulgated under the Federal act for all contaminants
5 regulated under the national primary and secondary drinking
6 water regulations. The board may adopt maximum contaminant
7 levels or treatment technique requirements for any
8 contaminant that a maximum contaminant level or treatment
9 technique requirement has not been promulgated under the
10 national primary and secondary drinking water regulations.

11 (3) Any such rule or regulation that provides for a
12 laboratory to submit to the department the results of test
13 measurements or analyses performed by the laboratory shall
14 also include a provision that if the laboratory fails to
15 report the results to the department within the specified
16 time frame, it shall be considered a violation on the part of
17 the laboratory and not the water supplier who submitted the
18 samples to the laboratory within the required monitoring
19 period.

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