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REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, JUNE 1, 2007

AN ACT

1 Providing for environmental funds reporting and disclosure.

2 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
3 hereby enacts as follows:

4 Section 1. Short title.

5 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Environmental
6 Funds Reporting and Disclosure Act.

7 Section 2. Department responsibilities.

8 The Department of Environmental Protection shall do all of
9 the following:

10 (1) No later than July 30, 2007, and each year
11 thereafter, compile and update a comprehensive report of all
12 special funds and restricted revenue accounts administered by
13 the Department of Environmental Protection, containing at a
14 minimum:

15 (i) the total receipts and expenditures of each
16 fund, including all fees, fines, penalties and natural
17 resource damage awards or settlements;

1 (ii) an itemized list of each receipt and
2 disbursement of the fund in excess of \$10,000; and

3 (iii) the number and nature of violations of
4 environmental statutes.

5 (2) A copy of the report required under paragraph (1)
6 shall be submitted to the chairmen and minority chairmen of
7 the Appropriations Committee and the Environmental Resources
8 and Energy Committee of the Senate and the chairmen and
9 minority chairmen of the Appropriations Committee and the
10 Environmental Resources and Energy Committee of the House of
11 Representatives.

12 (3) A copy of the report required under paragraph (1)
13 shall be posted and maintained on the Department of
14 Environmental Protection's publicly accessible Internet
15 website.

16 Section 3. Transfers to General Fund.

17 If the amount of all fines and penalties received by a
18 special fund or restricted revenue account administered by the
19 Department of Environmental Protection in a fiscal year
20 increases more than 5% from the amount received in the previous
21 fiscal year, the Secretary of the Budget shall transfer the
22 amount of the increase in revenue which is in excess of 5% from
23 the special fund or restricted revenue account to the Hazardous
24 Sites Cleanup Fund established in section 602.3 of the act of
25 March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of
26 1971.

27 Section 4. Applicability.

28 This act shall apply to any special fund or restricted
29 revenue account administered by the Department of Environmental
30 Protection, including, but not limited to, the Clean Air Fund,

1 the Clean Water Fund, the Solid Waste Abatement Fund, the Safe
2 Drinking Water Fund and the Waste Transportation Safety Account.
3 Section 5. Effective date.
4 This act shall take effect immediately.