## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 180

Session of 2009

INTRODUCED BY HALUSKA, BELFANTI, BEYER, CREIGHTON, GEIST, GINGRICH, GODSHALL, GOODMAN, HANNA, HESS, HUTCHINSON, W. KELLER, KILLION, KORTZ, LONGIETTI, MAHONEY, MELIO, MILLARD, PAYNE, READSHAW, SCAVELLO, SIPTROTH, K. SMITH, SOLOBAY, STABACK, STURLA AND VULAKOVICH, FEBRUARY 2, 2009

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, FEBRUARY 2, 2009

## AN ACT

Amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for use of Game Fund revenues. 2 3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: Section 1. Section 521(b) of Title 34 of the Pennsylvania 5 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a paragraph to read: § 521. Establishment and use of Game Fund. 8 9 (b) Specific allocation of certain revenues .--10 11 (3.1) A minimum of 10% of the previous fiscal year's 12 revenues from timber harvesting on commission land shall be 13 used solely for the purpose of forest regeneration 14 activities. A reforestation practice entered into as part of 15 a timber harvesting contract by the commission shall be 16 included for purposes of calculating revenues from timber

- 1 <u>harvesting. The moneys collected under this paragraph shall</u>
- be deposited into a separate account and shall be used
- 3 <u>exclusively for production, distribution and planting of</u>
- 4 trees and spraying and deer fencing on commission land. The
- 5 <u>account shall operate as a revolving fund whereby all</u>
- 6 appropriations, payments and interest made thereto may be
- 7 applied and reapplied to the purposes of this paragraph.
- 8 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.