

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL**No. 1691** Session of
2011

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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND
ENERGY, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, JUNE 22, 2011

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of July 28, 1988 (P.L.556, No.101), entitled
2 "An act providing for planning for the processing and
3 disposal of municipal waste; requiring counties to submit
4 plans for municipal waste management systems within their
5 boundaries; authorizing grants to counties and municipalities
6 for planning, resource recovery and recycling; imposing and
7 collecting fees; establishing certain rights for host
8 municipalities; requiring municipalities to implement
9 recycling programs; requiring Commonwealth agencies to
10 procure recycled materials; imposing duties; granting powers
11 to counties and municipalities; authorizing the Environmental
12 Quality Board to adopt regulations; authorizing the
13 Department of Environmental Resources to implement this act;
14 providing remedies; prescribing penalties; establishing a
15 fund; and making repeals," in general provisions, defining
16 "yard waste," and in grants, further providing for general
17 limitations.

18 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
19 hereby enacts as follows:

20 Section 1. Section 103 of the act of July 28, 1988 (P.L.556,
21 No.101), known as the Municipal Waste Planning, Recycling and
22 Waste Reduction Act, is amended by adding a definition to read:
23 Section 103. Definitions.

24 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
25 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the

1 context clearly indicates otherwise:

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3 "Yard waste." The term includes, but is not limited to, leaf
4 waste.

5 Section 2. Section 905(c) of the act, amended December 9,
6 2002 (P.L.1404, No.175), is amended to read:

7 Section 905. General limitations.

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9 (c) Other limitations on grants.--The department may not
10 award any grant under this chapter to any county or municipality
11 that has failed to comply with the conditions set forth in
12 previously awarded grants under this chapter, the requirements
13 of this chapter and any regulations promulgated pursuant
14 thereto, provided that the department shall not prohibit the
15 award of any grant to a county or municipality that has adopted
16 an ordinance allowing the limited burning PERIODICALLY FOR ANY ←
17 REASON PERMITTED BY THE ORDINANCE of yard waste, leaf waste, or
18 both.

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20 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.