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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY,
OCTOBER 29, 2015

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 58 (Oil and Gas) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, in development, further providing for well
3 reporting requirements.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 3222(a) of Title 58 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended and the section is amended by
8 adding a subsection to read:

9 § 3222. Well reporting requirements.

10 (a) [General rule] Annual reports.--[Except as provided in
11 subsection (a.1), each]

12 (1) Each well operator shall file with the department,
13 on a form provided by the department, an annual report
14 specifying the amount of production, on the most well-
15 specific basis available, along with the status of each well,
16 except that in subsequent years only changes in status must
17 be reported. The report may be submitted electronically or by
18 United States mail at the discretion of the well owner.

1 (2) The Commonwealth may utilize reported information in
2 enforcement proceedings, in making designations or
3 determinations under section 1927-A of the act of April 9,
4 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of
5 1929, or in aggregate form for statistical purposes.

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7 (e) Applicability.--

8 (1) No report shall be required of an owner or operator
9 of an operating well that was drilled prior to the effective
10 date of this section for the purpose of supplying fuel to a
11 residential property, including a residential dwelling or any
12 structure auxiliary to a residential dwelling, on which the
13 operating well is situated.

14 (2) A report required for a well drilled after the
15 effective date of this subsection may be submitted
16 electronically or by United States mail at the discretion of
17 the well owner.

18 (3) This subsection does not apply to the reporting
19 requirements under section 3220 (relating to plugging
20 requirements).

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