

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2034 Session of 2018

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AS AMENDED ON SECOND CONSIDERATION, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
MARCH 14, 2018

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of March 17, 1978 (P.L.15, No.9), entitled "An
2 act to regulate the sale and distribution for agricultural
3 purposes of ground limestone, burned and hydrated lime and
4 related products in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania;
5 conferring powers and imposing duties on the Secretary of
6 Agriculture; establishing fees; making an appropriation and
7 prescribing penalties," further providing for labeling.

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

10 Section 1. Section 4(a) and (e) of the act of March 17, 1978
11 (P.L.15, No.9), known as the Agricultural Liming Materials Act,
12 are amended to read:

13 Section 4. Labeling.

14 (a) Agricultural liming materials sold, offered or exposed
15 for sale in the Commonwealth shall have affixed to each package
16 in a conspicuous manner on the outside thereof a plainly
17 printed, stamped or otherwise marked label or tag, or, in the
18 case of bulk sales, a delivery slip setting forth at least the
19 following information:

20 (1) The name and principal office address of the

1 manufacturer or distributor.

2 (2) The brand or trade name of the material.

3 (3) The identification of the product as to the type of
4 the agricultural liming material.

5 (4) The net weight of the agricultural liming material.

6 (5) The minimum percentage of calcium oxide and
7 magnesium oxide and/or calcium carbonate and magnesium
8 carbonate.

9 (6) Calcium carbonate equivalent as determined by
10 methods prescribed by the Association of Official Analytical
11 Chemists. Minimum calcium carbonate equivalents as prescribed
12 by regulation.

13 (7) The minimum percent by weight passing through United
14 States Standard sieves as prescribed by regulations.

15 (8) The minimum percentage of molybdenum (Mo). <--

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17 (e) The secretary may, after a public hearing, require by
18 regulation thereafter that the minimum percentage of calcium
19 oxide ~~and~~ magnesium oxide and THE MAXIMUM PERCENTAGE OF <--
20 molybdenum shall be expressed in the following form:

21 Total Calcium (Ca) _____percent

22 Total Magnesium (Mg) _____percent

23 Total Molybdenum (Mo) _____percent

24 The secretary may not impose such regulatory standards if they
25 conflict with labeling requirements of other states and if they
26 would thereby constitute an economic hardship on the industry
27 due to dual labeling requirements. The effective date of said
28 regulation shall not be less than 18 months following the
29 adoption of regulations. For a period of two years following the
30 effective date of the regulations the equivalent of calcium and

1 magnesium may also be shown in the form of calcium oxide and
2 magnesium oxide.
3 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.