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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE BILL

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY,  
APRIL 29, 2019

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AN ACT

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

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

5 Section 1. Section 3211(b.1) of Title 58 of the Pennsylvania  
6 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

7 § 3211. Well permits.

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9 (b.1) Notification.--The applicant shall submit proof of  
10 notification with the well permit application. Notification of  
11 surface owners shall be performed by sending notice to those  
12 persons to whom the tax notices for the surface property are  
13 sent, as indicated in the assessment books in the county in  
14 which the property is located. Notification of surface  
15 landowners or water purveyors shall be on forms, and in a manner  
16 prescribed by the department, sufficient to identify the rights  
17 afforded those persons under section 3218 (relating to

1 protection of water supplies) and to advise them of the  
2 advantages of taking their own predrilling or prealteration  
3 survey. The well operator shall give public notice of the filing  
4 by publication in a newspaper of general circulation, published  
5 in the locality where the permit is applied for, once a week for  
6 four consecutive weeks.

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