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INTRODUCED BY YAW, LANGERHOLC, REGAN, COLEMAN, BARTOLOTTA,
HUTCHINSON, J. WARD, ROTHMAN AND STEFANO, JANUARY 31, 2023

REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, JANUARY 31, 2023

AN ACT

1 Providing for suspension of the Pennsylvania Heavy-Duty Diesel
2 Emissions Control Program and for expiration of suspension.

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

5 Section 1. Short title.

6 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Heavy-Duty
7 Diesel Emissions Control Program Suspension Procedures Act.

8 Section 2. Suspension of program.

9 The provisions of 25 Pa. Code Ch. 126 Subch. E (relating to
10 Pennsylvania Heavy-Duty Diesel Emissions Control Program) by the
11 Department of Environmental Protection published in the
12 Pennsylvania Bulletin on November 6, 2021, are suspended
13 effective through and including model year 2026 vehicles.

14 Section 3. Suspension expiration.

15 The suspension of enforcement by the Department of
16 Environmental Protection of any provision of 25 Pa. Code Ch. 126
17 Subch. E (relating to Pennsylvania Heavy-Duty Diesel Emissions
18 Control Program) shall expire as related to heavy-duty diesel

1 vehicles and engines beginning with model year 2027.

2 Section 4. Applicability of Federal standards.

3 During the effective period of a suspension of enforcement of
4 25 Pa. Code Ch. 126 Subch. E (relating to Pennsylvania Heavy-
5 Duty Diesel Emissions Control Program), the Federal standards
6 for heavy-duty diesel vehicles and engines shall apply in this
7 Commonwealth. During the suspension, an individual in compliance
8 with Federal standards may not be liable to lawsuits based on 25
9 Pa. Code Ch. 126 Subch. E.

10 Section 5. Effective date.

11 This act shall take effect immediately.