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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 27 (Environmental Resources) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in preliminary provisions, providing
3 for Abandoned Manufacturing Sites Registry.

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

6 Section 1. Title 27 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
7 Statutes is amended by adding a chapter to read:

8 CHAPTER 9

9 ABANDONED MANUFACTURING SITES

10 Subchapter

11 A. Abandoned Manufacturing Sites Registry

12 B. (Reserved)

13 SUBCHAPTER A

14 ABANDONED MANUFACTURING SITES REGISTRY

15 Sec.

16 901. Scope of subchapter.

17 902. Definitions.

1 903. Abandoned Manufacturing Sites Registry.

2 904. Departmental duties.

3 905. Fees prohibited.

4 § 901. Scope of subchapter.

5 This subchapter relates to the Abandoned Manufacturing Sites
6 Registry.

7 § 902. Definitions.

8 The following words and phrases when used in this chapter
9 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
10 context clearly indicates otherwise:

11 "Abandoned manufacturing site." Real property:

12 (1) The expansion, redevelopment or reuse of which may
13 involve remediation to contain, neutralize or remove a
14 hazardous substance, pollutant or contaminant resulting from
15 previous use of the property.

16 (2) That has been abandoned and the property owner has
17 given up dominion or that is vacant.

18 (3) That may be listed as a brownfield site in the Small
19 Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act
20 (Public Law 107-118, 115 Stat. 2356), or involved in
21 remediation under the act of May 19, 1995 (P.L.4, No.2),
22 known as the Land Recycling and Environmental Remediation
23 Standards Act.

24 (4) Located in an economic cluster, including one of the
25 following energy-driven sectors:

26 (i) petrochemicals;

27 (ii) advanced materials; or

28 (iii) data-driven manufacturing.

29 (5) For which cleaning up and reinvesting may improve
30 the environment, reduce blight and remove development

1 pressures on green spaces.

2 "Department." The Department of Community and Economic
3 Development of the Commonwealth.

4 "Registry." The Abandoned Manufacturing Sites Registry
5 established in this chapter.

6 § 903. Abandoned Manufacturing Sites Registry.

7 (a) Establishment.--The Abandoned Manufacturing Sites
8 Registry is established. The department shall implement and
9 administer the registry in accordance with this chapter.

10 (b) Purpose.--The registry shall contain a list of abandoned
11 manufacturing sites.

12 (c) Information included.--The registry shall include the
13 following information for each abandoned manufacturing site:

14 (1) The name and contact information of the current
15 owner of the abandoned manufacturing site.

16 (2) The legal description of the abandoned manufacturing
17 site.

18 (3) A current description of the condition of the real
19 property and a note as to whether the property is a
20 brownfield site as defined in the Small Business Liability
21 Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act (Public Law 107-
22 118, 115 Stat. 2356), or involved in the act of May 19, 1995
23 (P.L.4, No.2), known as the Land Recycling and Environmental
24 Remediation Standards Act.

25 § 904. Departmental duties.

26 The department shall:

27 (1) Establish procedures for the completeness and
28 accuracy of information in the registry.

29 (2) Keep an updated registry database on the
30 department's publicly accessible Internet website. The

1 registry shall be clearly defined on and easily navigable
2 from the department's publicly accessible Internet website.

3 (3) Promulgate regulations necessary to carry out the
4 department's duty to maintain the registry.

5 § 905. Fees prohibited.

6 The department may not assess a fee for the dissemination of
7 registry information to Internet users.

8 SUBCHAPTER B

9 (Reserved)

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