THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, AUGUST 16, 2017

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.
- 8 * * *
- 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 <u>in the locality where the permit is applied for, once a week for</u>
- 6 <u>four consecutive weeks.</u>
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- 8 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.