
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY DAY, CALTAGIRONE, CAUSER, KNOWLES, MACKENZIE,
MARKOSEK, MARSHALL, MILLARD, PASHINSKI, YOUNGBLOOD,
ZIMMERMAN, METCALFE AND DeLUCA, OCTOBER 23, 2019

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS,
OCTOBER 23, 2019

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of May 1, 1984 (P.L.206, No.43), entitled "An
2 act providing for safe drinking water; imposing powers and
3 duties on the Department of Environmental Resources in
4 relation thereto; and appropriating certain funds," further
5 providing for definitions.

6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
7 hereby enacts as follows:

8 Section 1. The definition of "public water system" in
9 section 3 of the act of May 1, 1984 (P.L.206, No.43), known as
10 the Pennsylvania Safe Drinking Water Act, is amended to read:

11 Section 3. Definitions.

12 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
13 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
14 context clearly indicates otherwise:

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16 "Public water system." As follows:

17 (1) A system for the provision to the public of water
18 for human consumption which has at least 15 service

1 connections or regularly serves an average of at least 25
2 individuals daily at least 60 days out of the year. The term
3 includes:

4 [(1)] (i) Any collection, treatment, storage and
5 distribution facilities under control of the operator of
6 such system and used in connection with such system.

7 [(2)] (ii) Any collection or pretreatment storage
8 facilities not under such control which are used in
9 connection with such a system.

10 [(3)] (iii) A system which provides water for
11 [bottling or] bulk hauling for human consumption[.],
12 including bulk haulers of water to establishments that
13 bottle water for human consumption.

14 (iv) A water source used to produce bottled water
15 for human consumption manufactured at a facility located
16 in this Commonwealth, regardless of the size of the
17 bottled water container.

18 (2) The term does not include a food establishment that
19 bottles water for human consumption and is registered under 3
20 Pa.C.S. § 5734 (relating to registration of food
21 establishments), regardless of the size of the bottled water
22 container.

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