

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chairman of Committee

April 23, 2018
Date

Committee on Finance.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

HB18-1400 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee on Appropriations with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend printed bill, page 1, after line 1 insert:

2 "SECTION 1. Legislative declaration. (1) The general
3 assembly hereby:

4 (a) Finds that the 2018-19 long bill significantly reduced the
5 spending authority in the air pollution control stationary sources program
6 due to a reduction in projected revenue and fund balance;

7 (b) Determines that:

8 (I) The air pollution stationary sources program will likely require
9 a supplemental appropriation in fiscal year 2018-19 in order to comply
10 with the intent of this act; and

11 (II) It will be necessary for the department of public health and
12 environment to work with the joint budget committee following the
13 enactment of fee increases up to the caps established in this act, by rule
14 of the commission, to request additional spending authority to comply
15 with the intent of this act; and

16 (c) Declares that this act is necessary to ensure the continued
17 operation of the stationary sources program and to ensure timeliness of
18 permitting and responsiveness to stakeholders and the public."

19 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

20 Page 5, strike lines 8 through 27.

1 Page 6, strike line 1 and substitute:

2 "(g) (I) THE DIVISION SHALL PRIORITIZE ITS USE OF THE REVENUES
3 GENERATED BY THE FEE INCREASES AUTHORIZED BY THE GENERAL
4 ASSEMBLY IN 2018 TO REDUCE PERMIT PROCESSING TIMES FOR ALL
5 CATEGORIES OF PERMITS THROUGH INCREASED EFFICIENCIES AND
6 INFORMATION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS THAT ARE IDENTIFIED THROUGH
7 THE STAKEHOLDER PROCESS IDENTIFIED IN SUBSECTION (2)(g)(II) OF THIS
8 SECTION.

9 (II) BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2018, THE DIVISION SHALL CONVENE A
10 STAKEHOLDER GROUP CONSISTING OF AFFECTED INDUSTRIES TO:

11 (A) IDENTIFY AND ASSESS MEASURES TO IMPROVE BILLING
12 PRACTICES AND INCREASE ACCOUNTING TRANSPARENCY WITH RESPECT TO
13 APPLICATION PROCESSING FEES, INCLUDING PROVIDING MORE DETAIL ON
14 THE APPLICATION REVIEW PROCESS AND THE TIME SPENT ON THE PROCESS;
15 AND

16 (B) ASSESS POTENTIAL EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS, INCLUDING
17 ASSOCIATED METRICS TO MEASURE THE DIVISION'S PERFORMANCE, WITH
18 RESPECT TO DIVISION ACTIVITIES FINANCED BY THE STATIONARY SOURCES
19 CONTROL FUND.

20 (III) BEGINNING IN 2019, THE DIVISION SHALL PRESENT DURING
21 THE LEGISLATIVE SESSION THE RESULTS OF THE STAKEHOLDER PROCESS
22 REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (2)(g)(II) OF THIS SECTION, INCLUDING
23 IMPROVED BILLING PRACTICES, INCREASED ACCOUNTING TRANSPARENCY,
24 IMPLEMENTED EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS, AND EFFICIENCY METRICS, TO
25 THE HOUSE HEALTH, INSURANCE, AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE AND THE
26 SENATE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE, OR ANY SUCCESSOR
27 COMMITTEES."

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