

No. 21

## AN ACT

HB 1793

Amending the act of June 30, 1947 (P.L.1177), entitled "An act requiring operators, political subdivisions and the Commonwealth to seal abandoned coal mines so as to protect streams from acid mine drainage; conferring powers and imposing duties on the Department of Mines; prescribing penalties and making an appropriation," redefining the term "mine sealing."

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

Section 1. Clause (2) of section 2, act of June 30, 1947 (P.L.1177), known as "The Coal Mine Sealing Act of 1947," is amended to read:

Section 2. The following words and phrases, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section:

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(2) The term "mine sealing" shall mean the closing of openings into a mine in such a manner as to [permit the outflow of water that may accumulate therein, while at the same time preventing the flow of appreciable quantities of air into the mine. The purpose of such sealing is to minimize or stop the formation of acid in the water as it flows through the mine] *minimize or stop the pollution of the waters of the Commonwealth by mine water and to prevent access to the mine by persons or animals.*

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APPROVED—The 20th day of February, A. D. 1970.

RAYMOND P. SHAFER

The foregoing is a true and correct copy of Act of the General Assembly No. 21.

  
Secretary of the Commonwealth.