

No. 2004-10

## AN ACT

## HB 2332

Providing for submission of a question to the electorate authorizing incurring indebtedness for water and wastewater treatment projects.

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

**Section 1. Short title.**

This act shall be known and may be cited as the Water and Wastewater Treatment Project Bond Act.

**Section 2. Question of indebtedness.**

(a) Authorization.—Pursuant to the provisions of section 7(a)(3) of Article VIII of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, the question of incurring indebtedness of \$250,000,000 for grants and loans for the acquisition, repair, construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, extension, expansion and improvement of water and wastewater infrastructure, including water supply and sewage treatment systems, shall be submitted to the electors at the 2004 primary election.

(b) Certification.—The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall forthwith certify the question to the county boards of elections.

(c) Question.—The question shall be in substantially the following form:

Do you favor the incurring of indebtedness by the Commonwealth in the amount of \$250,000,000 for use as grants and loans for construction, expansion or improvement of water and wastewater infrastructure, including water supply and sewage treatment systems?

(d) Election procedure.—The election shall be conducted in accordance with the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, except that any time limits for advertising notice related to the question are hereby waived.

**Section 3. Debt to be utilized for water and wastewater treatment projects.**

Proceeds of the borrowing, not to exceed \$250,000,000, shall be used for loans and grants for the acquisition, repair, construction, expansion, extension, reconstruction, rehabilitation or improvements of water supply and wastewater infrastructure as hereafter provided by law.

**Section 4. Effective date.**

This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 12th day of February, A.D. 2004.

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