

AN ACT relating to natural resources.

***Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

➔Section 1. KRS 350.075 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) In order to bring about a more desirable land use or to promote the public interest and the environment, the cabinet may, at its discretion, issue special permits for the remining of previously affected areas, including but not limited to, secondary coal recovery operations, such as coal extraction from coal refuse piles and coal recovery from slurry ponds. These special~~Such~~ permits may provide for alternate requirements for revegetation, topsoil, bonding, premining data collection requirements, water quality requirements where there are pre-existing pollutional discharges resulting from previous mining, and other provisions which may encourage remining and secondary coal recovery.
- (2) The cabinet is hereby authorized to promulgate administrative regulations as necessary in order to implement the provisions of this section.