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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY,
MARCH 24, 2022

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of July 7, 1961 (P.L.518, No.268), entitled "An
2 act to create a regional agency by intergovernmental compact
3 for the planning, conservation, utilization, development,
4 management and control of the water and related natural
5 resources of the Delaware River Basin, for the improvement of
6 navigation, reduction of flood damage, regulation of water
7 quality, control of pollution, development of water supply,
8 hydroelectric energy, fish and wildlife habitat and public
9 recreational facilities, and other purposes, and defining the
10 functions, powers and duties of such agency," in general
11 provisions, further providing for regulations and
12 enforcement.

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

15 Section 1. Section 14.2(a) of the act of July 7, 1961
16 (P.L.518, No.268), known as the Delaware River Basin Compact, is
17 amended to read:

18 Section 14.2. Regulations; Enforcement. The commission may--

19 (a) Make and enforce reasonable rules and regulations for
20 the effectuation, application and enforcement of this compact;
21 and it may adopt and enforce practices and schedules for or in
22 connection with the use, maintenance and administration of

1 projects and facilities it may own or operate and any product or
2 service rendered thereby: Provided, That any rule or regulation,
3 other than one which deals solely with the internal management
4 of the commission, shall be adopted only after public hearing
5 and shall not be effective unless and until filed in accordance
6 with the law of the respective signatory parties applicable to
7 administrative rules and regulations generally; Provided, That
8 the rules and regulations do not impede or interfere with the
9 operation or control of projects, structures or facilities
10 constructed or used in connection with hydraulic fracturing; and

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12 Section 2. The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall transmit
13 a notice to the Legislative Reference Bureau for publication in
14 the Pennsylvania Bulletin upon enactment of legislation having
15 an identical effect as section 1 of this act by the Congress of
16 the United States and the states of Delaware, New Jersey and New
17 York.

18 Section 3. This act shall take effect as follows:

19 (1) Section 1 of this act shall take effect upon
20 publication of the notice required by section 2 of this act.

21 (2) The remainder of this act shall take effect
22 immediately.