## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 514

Session of 2025

INTRODUCED BY CAUSER, PICKETT, BANTA, JAMES, HAMM, RAPP, ROWE, SMITH AND ZIMMERMAN, FEBRUARY 5, 2025

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL AND NATURAL RESOURCE PROTECTION, FEBRUARY 5, 2025

## AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 58 (Oil and Gas) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated 2 Statutes, in development, providing for brine.
- 3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 4 hereby enacts as follows:
- 5 Section 1. Title 58 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
- 6 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:
- 7 § 3228. Brine.
- 8 (a) Permission. -- A municipality may spread brine produced
- 9 from the drilling, alteration or operation of an oil or gas well
- 10 which is not an unconventional well on roads within the
- 11 municipality's boundaries for purposes of dust suppression or
- 12 <u>road stabilization. A municipality may designate another person</u>
- 13 to spread brine on the municipality's behalf only in a manner
- 14 <u>instructed by the municipality.</u>
- 15 (b) Authorization. -- Notwithstanding any other provision of
- 16 law, no State agency, including the department, may require
- 17 authorization or approval from either the operator of a well or

- 1 a municipality for brine to be spread in accordance with
- 2 <u>subsection (a).</u>
- 3 (c) Distance restrictions. -- Brine may not be spread within
- 4 150 feet of a stream, creek, lake or other body of water.
- 5 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.