



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 5140**

February Session, 2008

\*           HB05140ENVAPP022708           \*

**AN ACT CREATING AN ACCOUNT WITHIN THE GENERAL FUND FOR THE REMEDIATION OF ABANDONED MINES.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1       Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2008*) (a) There is established an  
2       account to be known as the "remediation of abandoned mines account"  
3       which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the General  
4       Fund. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Commissioner  
5       of Environmental Protection for the purposes of grants to property  
6       owners to pay for or reimburse the costs, expenses and other  
7       obligations incurred or that will be incurred for the remediation of  
8       abandoned mines located on commercial, municipal or residential  
9       property.

10       (b) The Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall adopt  
11       regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the  
12       general statutes, that set forth the criteria for such grants, the method  
13       of application, and the process for approval of such application.

14       Sec. 2. (*Effective July 1, 2008*) The sum of two hundred fifty thousand  
15       dollars is appropriated to the remediation of abandoned mines  
16       account, established pursuant to section 1 of this act, from the General  
17       Fund, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, for the grant program  
18       established pursuant to section 1 of this act.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	New section

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*Joint Favorable Subst. C/R*

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