

H.B. 2113 Summary
Marcellus Drilling Air Pollution Legislation

Summary:

- Requires the Department of Environmental Protection to collect and publish information on air pollution from Marcellus drilling
 - Within 3 months, DEP will publish methodology for the detection, quantification, and reporting of emissions from wellhead activities and the storage of gas prior to processing
 - Within 1 year, DEP will publish a final report quantifying total air contaminant emissions
 - DEP shall publish a revised report every 5 years
- Requires air pollution permits for Marcellus wellhead area emissions
 - Within 90 days, DEP shall amend its exemption list to ensure that Marcellus activity is not exempt from air permitting
- Establishes a schedule for increased air permit fees identical to a regulation proposed in October 2009 by DEP
 - Fees collected will go to the Pennsylvania Clean Air Fund and will be used to fund the air pollution control program within DEP
 - DEP will evaluate the fee schedule every 5 years

Amends the Air Pollution Control Act and places it into Title 35 (Health and Safety)