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Summary Senate Bill 196, P.N. 142 Prime Sponsor: Senator Don White

Overview

Amends the Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority Act to expand PENNVEST's ability to use Clean Water State Revolving Fund money to effectively fund stormwater management and other non-point source projects.

Changes affecting eligible projects

- Incorporates references to Pennsylvania's Nonpoint Source Management Program
 Update as best management practices eligible for nonpoint source project funding.
 Current law limits such projects to techniques identified in county-prepared watershed plans.
- Eliminates the provision that allows only governmental units to be eligible for funding to enable nonprofit and watershed organization to be eligible.
- Defines "urban runoff".
- Projects designed to address stormwater which does not constitute "urban runoff" are considered nonpoint source projects and must be consistent with Pennsylvania's Nonpoint Source Management Program Update
- Clarifies that projects designed to address "urban runoff" must be located within a municipality implementing ordinances pursuant to county-prepared and DEP-approved storm water management plans in order to be eligible for funding.
- Requires PENNVEST to post and maintain annual reports on its website and states PENNVEST may submit annual reports via electronic mail

Effective Date

This act shall take effect immediately.