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Summary Senate Bill 875, P.N. 1018

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Summary

- Creates the Treated Mine Water Act.
- Provides immunity to a mine operator who provides treated mine water from a permitted mining activity site for any cost, injury or damage arising out of the use of the treated mine water if all of the following apply:
 1. Treated mine water is for use outside the boundaries of the permitted mining activity site.
 2. Treated mine water is for oil and gas well development.
 3. The mine operator is not the same person using the treated mine water for oil or gas well development.
- Provides immunity to a person who acquires treated mine water from a mine operator for use in oil or gas well development from liability for the treatment or abatement of the mine drainage or mine pool water as a result of acquiring or using treated mine water.
- This act does not limit the liability of a person for unlawful spills or releases of treated mine water caused by the person.
- This act does not relieve a mine operator or a person who acquires treated mine water for use in oil or gas well development from the mine operator's or person's obligations under law.
- Treated mine water that meets the effluent limits of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit for the source mine and is being used in an oil or gas development project shall not be considered a solid waste as defined in the Solid Waste Management Act.

Effective Date

- This act shall take effect in 60 days.

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