THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 604

Session of 2023

INTRODUCED BY ISAACSON, FRANKEL, CIRESI, FLEMING, HILL-EVANS, KRAJEWSKI, MADDEN, OTTEN, SANCHEZ AND D. WILLIAMS, MARCH 21, 2023

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, MARCH 21, 2023

AN ACT

- 1 Amending the act of May 1, 1984 (P.L.206, No.43), entitled "An
- act providing for safe drinking water; imposing powers and
- duties on the Department of Environmental Resources in
- relation thereto; and appropriating certain funds," providing
- for maximum contaminant levels.
- 6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 7 hereby enacts as follows:
- 8 Section 1. The act of May 1, 1984 (P.L.206, No.43), known as
- 9 the Pennsylvania Safe Drinking Water Act, is amended by adding a
- 10 section to read:
- 11 <u>Section 4.1. Maximum contaminant levels.</u>
- 12 <u>(a) General rule.--Notwithstanding section 4(a) and except</u>
- 13 <u>as provided under subsection (b), the maximum contaminant level</u>
- 14 for polyfluoroalkyl or perfluorinated substances, including, but
- 15 <u>not limited to, perfluorooctane sulfonate, perfluorooctanoic</u>
- 16 acid, perfluorononanoic acid and perfluorohexane sulfonic acid,
- 17 shall not exceed 10 parts per trillion.
- 18 (b) Testing.--If a maximum contaminant level for a substance

- 1 <u>under subsection (a) is established by the Environmental Quality</u>
- 2 Board, an executive order of the Governor or the United States
- 3 Environmental Protection Agency, the maximum contaminant level
- 4 <u>shall supersede the maximum contaminant level under subsection</u>
- 5 (a).
- 6 (c) Publication. -- If a maximum contaminant level is
- 7 <u>established under subsection (b), the department shall transmit</u>
- 8 <u>notice to the Legislative Reference Bureau for publication in</u>
- 9 <u>the Pennsylvania Bulletin.</u>
- 10 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.