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BILL NO. Senate Bill 1128   **PRINTER'S NO.** 1434

AMOUNT   **FUND**

No Fiscal Impact in FY 2011-2012   Oil and Gas Lease Fund

DATE INTRODUCED   **PRIME SPONSOR**

June 10, 2011   Senator Gordner

HISTORY OF BILL

Referred to LABOR AND INDUSTRY, June 10, 2011

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DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE OF BILL

Senate Bill 1128 amends the Pennsylvania Conservation Corps (PCC) Act to transfer the program from the Department of Labor and Industry (L & I) to the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR). The legislation transfers all of the following from L & I to DCNR:

1) The property, supplies, equipment and records being used to administer the PCC Act,
2) The personnel employed in the administration of the Act,
3) The unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, and other funds available under the Act, and
4) The rights and obligations of contracts entered into under the Act.

The Act, as amended, will take effect July 1, 2012.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

The transfer of the PCC program from L & I to DCNR will not occur until July 1, 2012. Therefore, DCNR will not incur any costs in FY 2011-2012 as a result of this legislation. DCNR will assume programmatic and fiscal responsibility for the PCC program beginning in FY 2012-2013. The legislation transfers all of the PCC program's property, supplies, and equipment from L & I to DCNR, so minimal start up costs are expected to be incurred by DCNR. In FY 2012-2013, the program's personnel will be transferred from L & I and the associated salary and benefits costs for these positions will be incurred by DCNR. It is anticipated that DCNR will cover all personnel, administrative and operational costs of the PCC program from funds available in the Oil and Gas Lease Fund.