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H 2163. UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK AMENDMENTS 2006 (=S 1565). Filed 5/17/06. (1) TO PROVIDE FOR A TRANSITION TO RELIANCE ON PRIVATE INSURANCE AND SIMILAR MECHANISMS FOR THE DEMONSTRATION OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY REQUIRED UNDER FEDERAL LAW OF OWNERS AND OPERATORS OF COMMERCIAL PETROLEUM UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS, (2) TO IMPLEMENT THE TRANSITION TO PRIVATE INSURANCE BY MEANS OF A MARKET-BASED APPROACH THAT UTILIZES A PROGRESSIVE SCHEDULE OF INCREASES IN TANK FEES, (3) TO REDUCE THE INCIDENCE OF LEAKS BY REQUIRING SECONDARY CONTAINMENT FOR ALL COMPONENTS OF REGULATED PETROLEUM UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK SYSTEMS, (4) TO PROVIDE FOR EXPEDITED ASSESSMENT AND CLEANUP OF RELEASES AND DISCHARGES FROM PETROLEUM UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS BY REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO ESTABLISH A PILOT PROGRAM TO EVALUATE THE USE OF SITE-SPECIFIC CLEANUP STANDARDS, (5) TO PROVIDE FOR VARIOUS STUDIES AND REPORTS, AND (6) TO MAKE OTHER IMPROVEMENTS TO THE UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK CLEANUP PROGRAM, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW COMMISSION. Identical to S 1565, filed 5/17/06.

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