

[SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall conduct a study by January 1, 1985 to determine the feasibility of carrying out the provisions of this Act with respect to persons other than fire fighters.]

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect on July 1, 1985 [subject to (1) the approval of a study to determine the feasibility of this Act by the Department of Budget and Fiscal Planning; and (2) the availability of funds to carry out the purposes of this Act].

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the General Assembly hereby ratifies and confirms that Section 1 of Chapter 246 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1984 is in effect.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety and having been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, it shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 8, 1986.

CHAPTER 33

(Senate Bill 848)

AN ACT concerning

Appalachian States Low-Level Radioactive Waste Compact

FOR the purpose of repealing the Northeast Interstate Low-Level Radioactive Waste Management Compact and enacting on the part of this State a compact pursuant to State and Federal law for the interstate management of low-level radioactive waste to be called the "Appalachian States Low-Level Radioactive Waste Compact"; defining certain terms; providing for certain rights and obligations of the party states; creating an Appalachian States Low-Level Radioactive Waste Commission; providing for the membership of the Commission; establishing procedures, a budgetary system and initial funding of the Commission, establishing the powers and duties of the Commission; providing for a host state eligibility process for the development and operation of regional facilities; providing for certain fees and surcharges; providing for the closure of a regional facility under certain circumstances; providing a list of initially eligible states; providing for Congressional Review and ratification; providing for withdrawal from the Compact;