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### **DCNR Leases 32,896 Acres Of State Forest Drilling, Governor Now Supports Moratorium**



The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources announced it has leased 32,896 more acres of State Forest land for Marcellus Shale drilling in a sole source negotiation without competitive bidding netting \$120 million in revenue.

As a result, Gov. Rendell announced his support for [House Bill 2235](#) (Vitali-D-Delaware), passed by the House last week, to impose a three year moratorium on new Marcellus Shale leases on

State Forest land.