

**ASSEMBLY, No. 793**

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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**217th LEGISLATURE**

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**SYNOPSIS**

Requires Dept. of Agriculture and DEP to work with US Army Corps of Engineers to establish joint permit application process for aquaculture projects.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



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1 AN ACT concerning State and federal permits for aquaculture  
2 projects, and supplementing P.L.1997, c.236 (C.4:27-1 et seq.).  
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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
5 of New Jersey:  
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7 1. The Secretary of Agriculture and the Commissioner of  
8 Environmental Protection shall seek to establish with the United  
9 States Army Corps of Engineers a joint application process for  
10 aquaculture projects that require both State and federal permits,  
11 licenses, or approvals to facilitate approvals for aquaculture projects  
12 in the State. Each year for the first three years after the date of  
13 enactment of P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending before the Legislature as  
14 this bill), the Secretary of Agriculture shall prepare and submit,  
15 pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1991, c.164 (C.52:14-19.1), to the  
16 Legislature a report on the progress made toward establishing and  
17 implementing this cooperative effort.  
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19 2. This act shall take effect immediately.  
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22 STATEMENT  
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24 This bill requires the Secretary of Agriculture and the  
25 Commissioner of Environmental Protection to seek to establish with  
26 the United States Army Corps of Engineers a joint application  
27 process for aquaculture projects that require both State and federal  
28 permits, licenses, or approvals to facilitate approvals for  
29 aquaculture projects in the State. The bill also provides that for  
30 each year for the first three years after the date of enactment of this  
31 bill into law, the Secretary of Agriculture is required to prepare and  
32 submit to the Legislature a report on the progress made toward  
33 establishing and implementing this cooperative effort.