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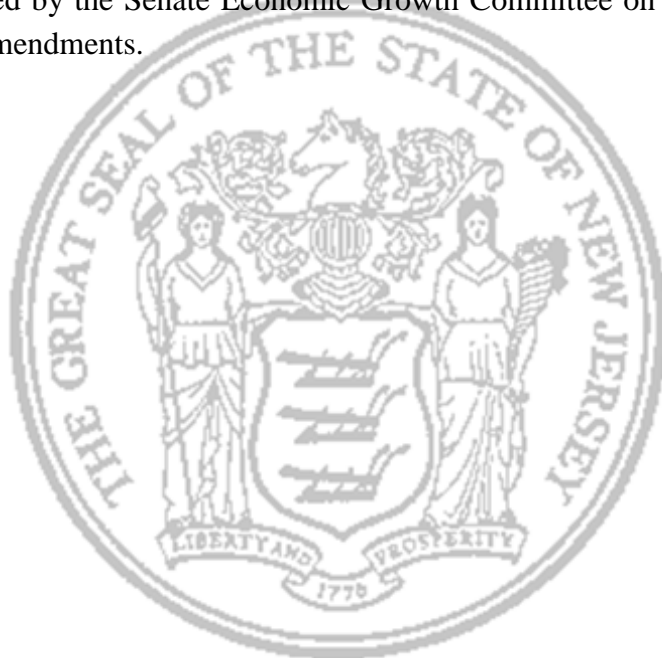
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SYNOPSIS

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

As reported by the Senate Economic Growth Committee on September 12, 2016, with amendments.



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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 ¹**[facilitate]** consider requests for¹
12 approvals for aquaculture projects in the State. Each year for the
13 first three years after the date of enactment of P.L. , c. (C.)
14 (pending before the Legislature as this bill), the Secretary of
15 Agriculture shall prepare and submit, pursuant to section 2 of
16 P.L.1991, c.164 (C.52:14-19.1), to the Legislature a report on the
17 progress made toward establishing and implementing this
18 cooperative effort.

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20 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Senate SEG committee amendments adopted September 12, 2016.