

P.L. 2019, CHAPTER 452, *approved January 21, 2020*
Senate, No. 4279

1 **AN ACT** appropriating \$1,350,000 from constitutionally dedicated
2 corporation business tax revenues to the State Agriculture
3 Development Committee for grants to qualifying tax exempt
4 nonprofit organizations for farmland preservation purposes.

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6 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
7 *of New Jersey:*

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9 1. a. There is appropriated to the State Agriculture
10 Development Committee the sum of \$1,350,000 from dedicated
11 corporation business tax revenues pursuant to Article VIII, Section
12 II, paragraph 6 of the State Constitution in the “Preserve New
13 Jersey Farmland Preservation Fund,” established pursuant to section
14 8 of the “Preserve New Jersey Act,” P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-50),
15 for the purpose of providing grants to qualifying tax exempt
16 nonprofit organizations listed in subsection b. of this section for up
17 to 50 percent of the cost of acquisition of development easements
18 on farmland or for up to 50 percent of the cost of acquisition of fee
19 simple titles to farmland for resale or lease with agricultural deed
20 restrictions approved by the committee.

21 b. The following projects are eligible for funding with the
22 monies appropriated pursuant to subsection a. of this section:

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Applicant (Project)	Farm	County	Municipality	Amount of Grant Not to Exceed
The Land Conservancy of New Jersey				\$933,600
	Santini, Matthew, Robert & Sharon	Warren	FranklinTwp	
	Rogers, Daniel & Flaherty, Sioban	Warren	Frelinghuysen Twp	
	Black, David & Shannon	Warren	Hardwick Twp	
	Santini, Robert A. Jr. & Sarah E.	Warren	Washington Twp	
	Kimball, Kent	Warren	White Twp	

Monmouth Conservation Foundation	Lohmeyer, Edward H. & Hogan, Patricia M.	Monmouth	Upper Freehold Twp	\$317,900
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New Jersey Conservation Foundation	Pepper, Albertus V. Jr. & Cathy L.	Burlington	Woodland Twp	\$98,500
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7 3. The expenditure of the sums appropriated by this act is
8 subject to the provisions and conditions of P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-
9 43 et seq.), P.L.1999, c.152 (C.13:8C-1 et seq.), and P.L.1983, c.32
10 (C.4:1C-11 et seq.), as appropriate.

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The funding in this bill is provided from constitutionally dedicated corporation business tax (CBT) revenues pursuant to Article VIII, Section II, paragraph 6 of the State Constitution, approved by the voters of the State in November 2014. The “Preserve New Jersey Act,” P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-50), implements the constitutional dedication of CBT revenues for open space, farmland, and historic preservation. The “Preserve New Jersey Farmland Preservation Fund” was established pursuant to section 8 of the “Preserve New Jersey Act.

1 Specifically, the bill would appropriate funds for grants to three
2 qualifying tax exempt nonprofit organizations for (1) up to 50
3 percent of the cost of acquisition of development easements on
4 farmland for farmland preservation purposes, or (2) up to 50 percent
5 of the cost of acquisition of fee simple titles to farmland for resale
6 or lease with agricultural deed restrictions approved by the SADC.

7 The allocations and projects listed in this bill have been
8 approved by the SADC and the Garden State Preservation Trust.

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13 Appropriates \$1,350,000 from constitutionally dedicated CBT
14 revenues to State Agriculture Development Committee for grants to
15 certain nonprofit organizations for farmland preservation purposes.