

# SENATE, No. 4277

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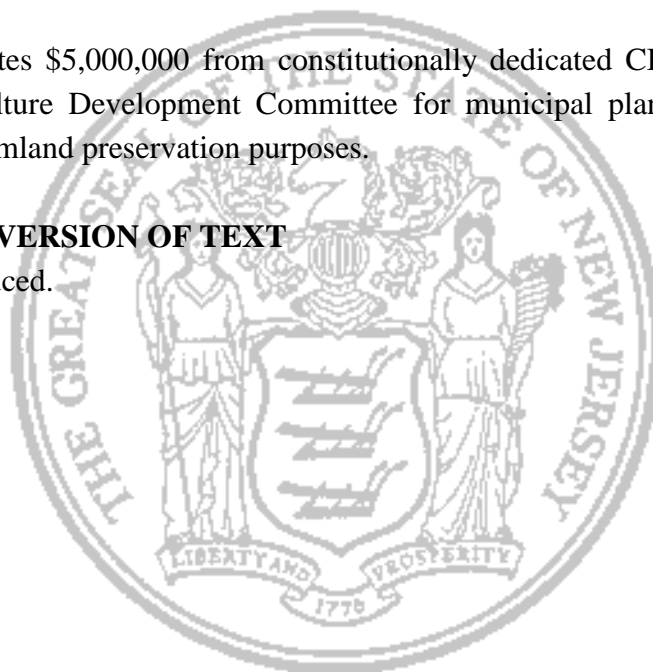
**Senators Doherty, Turner, Assemblymen Verrelli, Space, Wirths and  
Assemblywoman Murphy**

**SYNOPSIS**

Appropriates \$5,000,000 from constitutionally dedicated CBT revenues to State Agriculture Development Committee for municipal planning incentive grants for farmland preservation purposes.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 1/14/2020)

1   **AN ACT** appropriating \$5,000,000 from constitutionally dedicated  
2       corporation business tax revenues to the State Agriculture  
3       Development Committee for municipal planning incentive grants  
4       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 \$5,000,000 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 municipal planning incentive grants  
16      pursuant to section 1 of P.L.1999, c.180 (C.4:1C-43.1) and  
17      approved as eligible for such funding pursuant to subsection b. of  
18      this section.

19      b. The following municipalities are eligible for funding, in  
20      accordance with the rules and regulations of the State Agriculture  
21      Development Committee providing for a municipal planning  
22      incentive grant program competitive grant fund, with the monies  
23      appropriated pursuant to subsection a. of this section:

County	Municipalities
Cumberland	Hopewell Twp Upper Deerfield Twp
Gloucester	Elk Twp Franklin Twp Woolwich Twp
Hunterdon	Alexandria Twp Delaware Twp East Amwell Twp Franklin Twp Holland Twp Kingwood Twp Raritan Twp Readington Twp Tewksbury Twp Union Twp West Amwell Twp
Mercer	Hopewell Twp
Monmouth	Colts Neck Twp Holmdel Twp Howell Twp Manalapan Twp Marlboro Twp Millstone Twp Upper Freehold Twp

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Salem	Alloway Twp
	Mannington Twp
	Pilesgrove Twp
	Pittsgrove Twp
	Upper Pittsgrove Twp
Somerset	Bedminster Twp
	Franklin Twp
	Hillsborough Twp
	Montgomery Twp
	Peapack - Gladstone Boro
Sussex	Frankford Twp
	Green Twp
Warren	Blairstown Twp
	Franklin Twp
	Frelinghuysen Twp
	Greenwich Twp
	Harmony Twp
	Hope Twp
	Knowlton Twp
	Pohatcong Twp
	White Twp

- 1       c. The maximum grant award a municipality identified in
- 2 subsection b. of this section may receive pursuant to the funding
- 3 provided by this section is \$500,000.
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- 5       2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the
- 6 “Preserve New Jersey Farmland Preservation Fund,” established
- 7 pursuant to section 8 of the “Preserve New Jersey Act,” P.L.2016,
- 8 c.12 (C.13:8C-50), the sum of \$5,000,000 to implement the
- 9 provisions of this act.
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- 11       3. The expenditure of the sums appropriated by this act is
- 12 subject to the provisions and conditions of P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-
- 13 43 et seq.), P.L.1999, c.180 (C.4:1C-43.1), P.L.1999, c.152
- 14 (C.13:8C-1 et seq.), and P.L.1983, c.32 (C.4:1C-11 et seq.), as
- 15 appropriate.
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- 17       4. This act shall take effect immediately.
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**STATEMENT**

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22       This bill would appropriate \$5,000,000 to the State Agriculture

23 Development Committee (SADC) for municipal planning incentive

24 grants pursuant to a program established by P.L.1999, c.180

25 (C.4:1C-43.1) for farmland preservation purposes.

26       The funding in this bill is provided from constitutionally

27 dedicated corporation business tax (CBT) revenues pursuant to

28 Article VIII, Section II, paragraph 6 of the State Constitution,

1 approved by the voters of the State in November 2014. The  
2 “Preserve New Jersey Act,” P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-50),  
3 implements the constitutional dedication of CBT revenues for open  
4 space, farmland, and historic preservation. The “Preserve New  
5 Jersey Farmland Preservation Fund” was established pursuant to  
6 section 8 of the “Preserve New Jersey Act.”  
7 Forty-five municipalities would be eligible for funding under this  
8 bill. The maximum grant award a municipality could receive under  
9 the bill is \$500,000. The appropriation and eligible municipalities  
10 listed in the bill have been approved by the SADC and the Garden  
11 State Preservation Trust.