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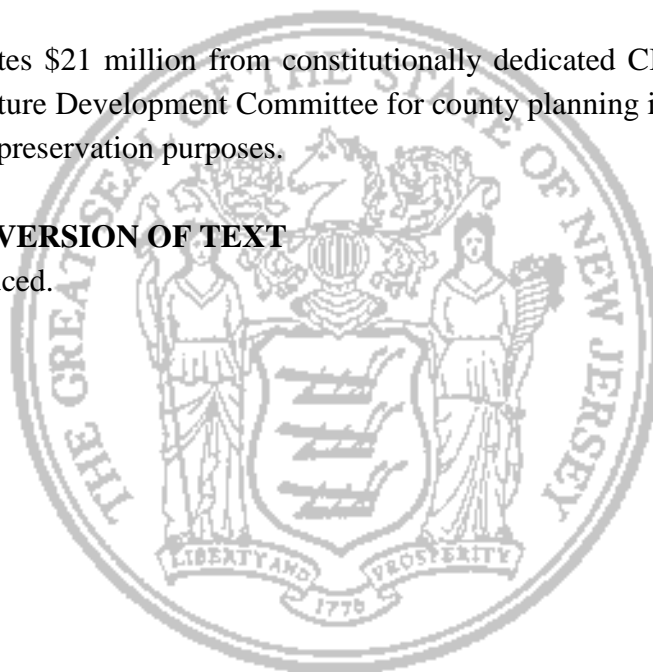
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SYNOPSIS

Appropriates \$21 million from constitutionally dedicated CBT revenues to State Agriculture Development Committee for county planning incentive grants for farmland preservation purposes.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1 AN ACT appropriating \$21,000,000 from constitutionally dedicated
2 corporation business tax revenues to the State Agriculture
3 Development Committee for planning incentive grants to
4 counties 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 \$21,000,000 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 planning incentive grants to counties
16 pursuant to section 1 of P.L.1999, c.180 (C.4:1C-43.1) for up to
17 80% of the cost of acquisition of development easements on
18 farmland for projects approved as eligible for such funding pursuant
19 to this section.

20 b. The following applicants are eligible for funding with the
21 monies appropriated pursuant to subsection a. of this section for
22 eligible projects located in an agricultural development area
23 approved pursuant to section 11 of P.L.1983, c.32 (C.4:1C-18):
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Applicant (County)	Municipality	Amount of Grant
Burlington County	Bass River Twp	2,000,000
	Bordentown Twp	
	Chesterfield Twp	
	Cinnaminson Twp	
	Eastampton Twp	
	Evesham Twp	
	Florence Twp	
	Hainesport Twp	
	Lumberton Twp	
	Mansfield Twp	
	Medford Twp	
	Moorestown Twp	
	Mount Laurel Twp	
	New Hanover Twp	
	North Hanover Twp	
	Pemberton Boro	
	Pemberton Twp	
	Shamong Twp	
	Southampton Twp	
	Springfield Twp	
	Tabernacle Twp	
	Washington Twp	
	Westampton Twp	
	Woodland Twp	
	Wrightstown Boro	

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Cumberland County	Commercial Twp	2,000,000
	Deerfield Twp	
	Downe Twp	
	Fairfield Twp	
	Greenwich Twp	
	Hopewell Twp	
	Lawrence Twp	
	Maurice River Twp	
	Millville City	
	Shiloh Boro	
	Stow Creek Twp	
	Upper Deerfield Twp	
	Vineland City	
Gloucester County	Clayton Boro	2,000,000
	East Greenwich Twp	
	Elk Twp	
	Franklin Twp	
	Glassboro Boro	
	Greenwich Twp	
	Harrison Twp	
	Logan Twp	
	Mantua Twp	
	Monroe Twp	
	Newfield Boro	
	South Harrison Twp	
	Swedesboro Boro	
	Washington Twp	
	West Deptford Twp	
	Woolwich Twp	
Hunterdon County	Alexandria Twp	1,000,000
	Bethlehem Twp	
	Califon Boro	
	Clinton Twp	
	Delaware Twp	
	East Amwell Twp	
	Franklin Twp	
	Hampton Boro	
	Holland Twp	
	Kingwood Twp	
	Lebanon Boro	
	Lebanon Twp	
	Raritan Twp	
	Readington Twp	
	Tewksbury Twp	
	Union Twp	
	West Amwell Twp	
Morris County	Boonton Twp	2,000,000
	Chester Boro	
	Chester Twp	
	Denville Twp	
	Harding Twp	
	Kinnelon Boro	
	Lincoln Park Boro	
	Long Hill Twp	
	Mendham Boro	

Mendham Twp
Mine Hill Twp
Montville Twp
Morris Twp
Mount Olive Twp
Pequannock Twp
Randolph Twp
Rockaway Twp
Roxbury Twp
Washington Twp

Salem County	Alloway Twp	2,000,000
	Carneys Point Twp	
	Elmer Boro	
	Elsinboro Twp	
	Lower Alloways Creek Twp	
	Mannington Twp	
	Oldmans Twp	
	Pilesgrove Twp	
	Pittsgrove Twp	
	Quinton Twp	
	Upper Pittsgrove Twp	
	Woodstown Boro	

TOTAL	\$11,000,000
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2 c. (1) In addition to the funding provided pursuant to

3 subsection b. of this section, each applicant identified in subsection

4 b. of this section shall be eligible, in accordance with the rules and

5 regulations of the State Agriculture Development Committee

6 providing for a county planning incentive grant program

7 competitive grant fund, to receive a grant not to exceed \$2,000,000

8 from the monies appropriated pursuant to subsection a. of this

9 section.

10 (2) The following applicants shall be eligible, in accordance

11 with the rules and regulations of the State Agriculture Development

12 Committee providing for a county planning incentive grant program

13 competitive grant fund, to receive a grant not to exceed \$2,000,000

14 from the monies appropriated pursuant to subsection a. of this

15 section for eligible projects located in an agricultural development

16 area approved pursuant to section 11 of P.L.1983, c.32 (C.4:1C-18):

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Applicant (County)	Municipality
Atlantic County	Buena Boro
	Buena Vista Twp
	Corbin City
	Estell Manor City
	Folsom Boro
	Galloway Twp
	Hamilton Twp
	Hammonton Town
	Mullica Twp

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Bergen County	Allendale Boro
	Closter Boro
	Emerson Boro
	Franklin Lakes Boro
	Hillsdale Boro
	Mahwah Twp
	Montvale Boro
	Norwood Boro
	Oakland Boro
	Old Tappan Boro
	Paramus Boro
	Saddle River Boro
	Woodcliff Lake Boro
	Wyckoff Twp
Camden County	Berlin Boro
	Berlin Twp
	Cherry Hill Twp
	Chesilhurst Boro
	Gloucester Twp
	Voorhees Twp
	Waterford Twp
	Winslow Twp
Cape May County	Dennis Twp
	Lower Twp
	Middle Twp
	Upper Twp
	West Cape May Boro
	Woodbine Boro
Mercer County	East Windsor Twp
	Hamilton Twp
	Hopewell Boro
	Hopewell Twp
	Lawrence Twp
	Princeton Boro
	Robbinsville Twp
	West Windsor Twp
Middlesex County	Cranbury Twp
	East Brunswick Twp
	Monroe Twp
	North Brunswick Twp
	Old Bridge Twp
	Plainsboro Twp
	Sayreville Boro
	South Brunswick Twp
Monmouth County	Colts Neck Twp
	Farmingdale Boro
	Freehold Twp
	Holmdel Twp
	Howell Twp
	Manalapan Twp
	Marlboro Twp
	Middletown Twp
	Millstone Twp

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	Roosevelt Boro
	Tinton Falls Boro
	Upper Freehold Twp
	Wall Twp
Ocean County	Jackson Twp
	Lakewood Twp
	Mancester Twp
	Plumsted Twp
	Toms River Twp
Passaic County	Bloomington Boro
	Clifton City
	North Haledon Boro
	Ringwood Boro
	Totowa Boro
	Wanaque Boro
	Wayne Twp
	West Milford Twp
Somerset County	Bedminster Twp
	Bernards Twp
	Bernardsville Boro
	Branchburg Twp
	Far Hills Boro
	Franklin Twp
	Hillsborough Twp
	Millstone Boro
	Montgomery Twp
	Peapack-Gladstone Boro
	Rocky Hill Boro
	Warren Twp
Sussex County	Andover Boro
	Andover Twp
	Frankford Twp
	Fredon Twp
	Green Twp
	Hampton Twp
	Hardyston Twp
	Lafayette Twp
	Montague Twp
	Sandyston Twp
	Sparta Twp
	Stillwater Twp
	Vernon Twp
	Wantage Twp
Warren County	Allamuchy Twp
	Alpha Boro
	Blairstown Twp
	Franklin Twp
	Frelinghuysen Twp
	Greenwich Twp
	Hardwick Twp
	Harmony Twp
	Hope Twp
	Independence Twp

(3) (a) The total expenditure by the State Agriculture Development Committee pursuant to this subsection shall not exceed \$10,000,000.

(b) The maximum grant award an applicant identified in subsection b. of this section may receive pursuant to the funding provided by subsection b. of this section and paragraph (1) of this subsection is \$4,000,000.

(c) The maximum grant award an applicant identified in paragraph (2) of this subsection may receive pursuant to the funding provided by this subsection is \$2,000,000.

2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the “Preserve New Jersey Farmland Preservation Fund,” established pursuant to section 8 of the “Preserve New Jersey Act,” P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-50), the sum of \$21,000,000 to implement the provisions of this act.

3. The expenditure of the sum appropriated by this act is subject to the provisions and conditions of P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-43 et seq.), P.L.1999, c.180 (C.4:1C-43.1), P.L.1983, c.32 (C.4:1C-11 et seq.), and P.L.1999, c.152 (C.13:8C-1 et seq.), as appropriate.

4. This act shall take effect immediately.

27 This bill appropriates \$21 million to the State Agriculture
28 Development Committee (SADC) for the purpose of providing
29 planning incentive grants to counties for up to 80% of the cost of
30 acquisition of development easements on farmland for farmland
31 preservation purposes.

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

1 Under the bill, six counties will each receive a “base grant” of
2 either \$1 million or \$2 million, as specified in the bill. Those six
3 counties, plus 12 other counties identified in the bill, would also be
4 eligible to compete to receive an additional grant from the
5 “competitive grant fund” pursuant to subsection c. of section 1 of
6 the bill, in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000. The maximum
7 grant award a county could receive under the bill is \$4 million (i.e.,
8 the \$2 million base grant, if applicable, and a \$2 million
9 competitive grant).

10 The bill also appropriates to the “Preserve New Jersey Farmland
11 Preservation Fund” moneys from the General Fund already
12 constitutionally dedicated to the “Preserve New Jersey Farmland
13 Preservation Fund” for the purpose of making the appropriations
14 from that fund required by this bill.

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