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SYNOPSIS

Requires DOT to prioritize green stormwater infrastructure in design, construction, reconstruction, and repair of public highways.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



1 AN ACT concerning the Department of Transportation's
2 prioritization of green stormwater infrastructure and
3 supplementing Title 27 of the Revised Statutes.
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5 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
6 *of New Jersey:*
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8 1. The Department of Transportation shall establish and
9 implement a program to prioritize, to the extent practicable as
10 determined by the Commissioner of Transportation, the use of green
11 stormwater infrastructure methods in the design, construction,
12 reconstruction, and repair of public highways in the State that are
13 funded, in whole or in part, from the "Special Transportation Fund"
14 established by section 21 of P.L.1984, c.73 (C.27:1B-21).

15 As used in this section:

16 "Green stormwater infrastructure methods" shall mean
17 management practices that reduce stormwater runoff by allowing
18 stormwater to be treated by vegetation or soils or to be stored and
19 reused, and shall include but not be limited to pervious pavement,
20 bio-retention basins, and grass swales.

21 "Public highways" shall have the same meaning as provided in
22 section 3 of P.L.1984, c.73 (C.27:1B-3).
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24 2. This act shall take effect immediately.
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27 STATEMENT
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29 This bill requires the Department of Transportation (DOT) to
30 establish and implement a program to prioritize, to the extent
31 practicable as determined by the Commissioner of Transportation,
32 the use of green stormwater infrastructure methods in the design,
33 construction, reconstruction, and repair of public highways in the
34 State that are funded from the "Special Transportation Fund."

35 "Green stormwater infrastructure methods" is defined to mean
36 management practices that reduce stormwater runoff by allowing
37 stormwater to be treated by vegetation or soils or to be stored and
38 reused, and is to include but not be limited to pervious pavement,
39 bio-retention basins, and grass swales.