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ASSEMBLY, No. 2134

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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By Assemblyman ASSELT A, Assemblywoman Wright,  
Assemblyman Gibson, Assemblywoman Allen and  
Assemblyman DeSopo

1 AN ACT requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to  
2 establish a natural resources inventory, supplementing Title 13 of  
3 the Revised Statutes, and appropriating \$20,000.

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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 Environmental Protection, in cooperation  
9 with the Division of Travel and Tourism in the Department of  
10 Commerce and Economic Development, <sup>1</sup>and in consultation with the  
11 Pinelands Commission as it affects the pinelands area designated  
12 pursuant to section 10 of P.L. 1979, c.111 (C.13:18A-11),<sup>1</sup> shall  
13 establish a natural resources inventory, using the Geographic  
14 Information System, for the purpose of encouraging ecologically based  
15 tourism and recreation in New Jersey. This inventory shall contain  
16 information on New Jersey's natural, historic, and recreational  
17 resources, and shall include, <sup>2</sup>to the greatest extent possible,<sup>2</sup> but  
18 need not be limited to, federal, state, county and local parks, wildlife  
19 management areas, hatcheries, natural areas, historic sites, state  
20 forests, recreational areas, ecological and biological study sites,  
21 reservoirs, marinas, boat launches, campgrounds, waterfront access  
22 points, winter sports recreation areas, and national wildlife refuges.

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24 2. Within one year of the effective date of this act, the Department  
25 of Environmental Protection shall publish and make available to the  
26 public at all state offices a pamphlet which shall contain <sup>2</sup>, to the  
27 greatest extent possible,<sup>2</sup> information on the location, available  
28 facilities and activities, operating hours, admission fees, parking fees,  
29 and phone numbers of the areas included on the inventory established

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

**Matter underlined thus is new matter.**

**Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:**

<sup>1</sup> Assembly ASI committee amendments adopted October 21, 1996.

<sup>2</sup> Assembly floor amendments adopted February 20, 1997.

1 pursuant to section 1 of this act, together with any maps or indexes  
2 and any other information deemed helpful to facilitate the use of the  
3 areas. <sup>2</sup>The department shall annually update the information  
4 contained in the pamphlet to provide the public with the most  
5 comprehensive and current information on the resources described in  
6 section 1 of this act.<sup>2</sup>

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8 3. Within one year of the publication of the pamphlet completed  
9 pursuant to section 2 of this act, the Department of Environmental  
10 Protection shall make the information contained in the pamphlet  
11 available to the public through <sup>2</sup>[the largest] a widely available<sup>2</sup>  
12 nonproprietary cooperative public computer network.

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14 4. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department  
15 of Environmental Protection the sum of \$20,000 to implement the  
16 provisions of this act.

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18 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

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24 Requires DEP to establish natural resources inventory; appropriates  
\$20,000.