

ASSEMBLY, No. 2299

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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By Assemblyman BUCCO, Assemblywoman MURPHY,
Assemblymen DeCroce and Carroll

1 AN ACT concerning the lease of park lands and concessions by county
2 park commissions and amending P.L.1946, c.276.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
5 *of New Jersey:*

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7 1. Section 13 of P.L.1946, c.276 (C.40:37-95.13) is amended to
8 read as follows:

9 13. The commission may:

10 a. Acquire, maintain and make available to the inhabitants of the
11 county, public parks, playgrounds and recreation places;

12 b. Locate such public parks, playgrounds and recreation places at
13 such point or points within the limits of the county as it may
14 determine;

15 c. Preserve, care for, lay out, construct, maintain, and improve any
16 such parks and places and by itself, or jointly with the State Highway
17 Commission, board of chosen freeholders, or any municipality or other
18 public body, provide for the construction, improvement or
19 maintenance of any roadway or boulevard, within such park or parks
20 or other places;

21 d. Lay out, construct and maintain such sidewalks, roadways,
22 service ways, bridle paths, footpaths, or other ways within any such
23 park or parks or other places;

24 e. Construct, reconstruct, alter, provide, renew and maintain such
25 buildings or other structures, playgrounds and the equipment thereof,
26 as it may determine;

27 f. Enter into contracts with any person, or municipality or other
28 public body, with respect to the laying out, construction or
29 maintenance thereof;

30 g. Engage, or contract for, the services of competent engineers or
31 engineering firms, and do all other acts and things as may in the
32 judgment of the commission be necessary or proper to effectuate and
33 carry out the plan and purposes of this act, but such contract and

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.

1 employment shall not be for a longer period of time than 5 years;
2 provided, however, that this provision shall not preclude the
3 commission from extending any such contract and employment for a
4 period of not exceeding 5 years from the date of such extension;

5 h. Whether or not a regularly organized full-time county park
6 police department has been or shall hereafter be established pursuant
7 to law, appoint and commission as many special policemen to patrol
8 such county parks, playgrounds and recreation places as it may deem
9 necessary and any such special policeman shall have the same powers
10 therein as may be exercised by a municipal policeman pursuant to law
11 and such special policeman shall be charged with the duty of
12 preserving order and shall have power to arrest and to hold any
13 offender against the public peace in such county parks, playgrounds
14 and recreation places;

15 i. Subject to the approval of the board of chosen freeholders, lease
16 to the highest bidder, after published advertisement not less than 10
17 days prior to award of lease, park lands or concessions therein to
18 produce revenues from facilities required for or incidental to the
19 operation of such public parks, playgrounds or recreation places;
20 provided, however, that the period of any such lease shall not exceed
21 ~~5~~ 10 years.

22 (cf: P.L.1971, c.406, s.3)

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24 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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29 This bill would allow a county park commission to lease park lands
30 or concessions therein for a period not to exceed 10 years. Current
31 law limits such leases to a period not to exceed five years.

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37 Allows county park commission to lease park land and concessions for
10 year term.