

SENATE, No. 331

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 1996 SESSION

By Senator MARTIN

1 AN ACT concerning public water supplies, and amending P.L.1988,
2 c.163.

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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 1 of P.L.1988, c.163 is amended to read as follows:

8 1. a. No municipality, municipal utilities authority, or public utility
9 shall convey any land utilized for the purpose of the protection of a
10 public water supply prior to the adoption by the Department of
11 Environmental Protection of the [rules and regulations establishing
12 buffer zones for all watershed lands associated with public water
13 supply reservoirs for the purpose of protecting drinking water quality
14 required pursuant to the "Watershed Protection Act," P.L. , c.
15 (C.)](now before the Legislature as Senate Bill No. 2339 of
16 1990)]watershed management plan required pursuant b.
17 of this section . The provisions of this section shall not apply to land
18 utilized for the purpose of the protection of a public water supply if
19 the land is otherwise subject to regulation pursuant to P.L.1979, c.111
20 (C.13:18A-1 et seq.) or P.L.1973, c.185 (C.13:19-1 et seq.).

21 b. Within 18 months of the effective date of this act, the
22 Department of Environmental Protection shall adopt, pursuant to the
23 "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et
24 seq.), a watershed management plan that shall:

25 (1) Identify, using the criteria established pursuant to paragraph (2)
26 of this subsection, watershed lands and surrounding buffer zones to be
27 preserved and maintained for the protection of public water supplies;

28 (2) Establish criteria for determining the extent of watershed lands
29 and surrounding buffer zones to be preserved and maintained by a
30 municipality, municipal utilities authority, or public utility to protect
31 a public water supply, and conditions under which certain watershed
32 lands and surrounding buffer zones may be developed; 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.

