

SENATE, No. 1221

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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By Senator McNAMARA

1 ANACT appropriating moneys from the "1992 Wastewater Treatment  
2 Trust Fund" to the New Jersey Wastewater Treatment Trust for use  
3 in providing financial assistance to local government units for the  
4 construction of wastewater treatment system projects.

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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. (1) There is appropriated to the New Jersey Wastewater  
10 Treatment Trust established pursuant to P.L.1985, c.334 (C.58:11B-1  
11 et seq.) the sum of \$5,000,000 from the "1992 Wastewater Treatment  
12 Trust Fund" established pursuant to section 27 of the "Green Acres,  
13 Clean Water, Farmland and Historic Preservation Bond Act of 1992,"  
14 (P.L.1992, c.88).

15 (2) There is appropriated to the New Jersey Wastewater Treatment  
16 Trust any net earnings received from the investment or deposit of  
17 moneys in the "1992 Wastewater Treatment Trust Fund" pursuant to  
18 the provisions of section 29 of P.L.1992, c.88.

19 b. The New Jersey Wastewater Treatment Trust shall utilize the  
20 funds appropriated by subsection a. of this section to establish a  
21 reserve fund in accordance with and subject to the provisions of  
22 subsection c. of section 12 of P.L.1992, c.88 and section 11 of  
23 P.L.1985, c.334 (C.58:11B-11).

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25 2. The expenditure of the sums appropriated by this act is subject  
26 to the provisions and conditions of P.L.1992, c.88 and P.L.1985,  
27 c.334 (C.58:11B-1 et seq.).

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29 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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32 STATEMENT

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34 This bill would appropriate the sum of \$5 million to the New Jersey  
35 Wastewater Treatment Trust from the "1992 Wastewater Treatment  
36 Trust Fund" established pursuant to the "Green Acres, Clean Water,  
37 Farmland and Historic Preservation Bond Act of 1992," (P.L.1992,

1 c.88) and any net earnings received from the investment or deposit of  
2 moneys in the "1992 Wastewater Treatment Trust Fund."

3 The New Jersey Wastewater Treatment Trust, established pursuant  
4 to P.L.1985, c.334 (C.58:11B-1 et seq.), is a State financing authority  
5 which can issue bonds, notes and other debt obligations for the  
6 purpose of providing financial assistance to local governments for  
7 wastewater treatment system projects.

8 On November 3, 1992 the voters approved the \$345 million "Green  
9 Acres, Clean Water, Farmland and Historic Preservation Bond Act of  
10 1992," P.L.1992, c.88. Section 12 of the 1992 bond act allocated \$50  
11 million for the financing of wastewater treatment system projects, in  
12 order to bring such systems into full compliance with permits issued  
13 pursuant to the "Water Pollution Control Act", P.L.1977, c.74  
14 (C.58:10A-1 et seq.), to provide adequate wastewater treatment in  
15 areas where large numbers of septic systems have malfunctioned or  
16 become obsolete, or to connect an obsolete or malfunctioning  
17 wastewater treatment system to another wastewater treatment system.

18 Section 12 b. of the 1992 bond act allocated \$45 million to the DEP  
19 for zero interest loans to local governments for wastewater treatment  
20 system projects. Section 12 c. allocated \$5 million to the Trust to be  
21 used for reserve and guarantee funding to secure debt issued by the  
22 Trust or by local governments in connection with the financing of  
23 wastewater treatment system projects.

24 This bill would appropriate \$5 million and the net interest earnings  
25 from the "1992 Wastewater Treatment Trust Fund" to the Trust for  
26 the purpose of establishing a reserve fund as required by the 1992  
27 bond act.

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33 Appropriates \$5 million in bond funds to the New Jersey Wastewater  
34 Treatment Trust for the construction of wastewater treatment system  
projects.