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SENATE, No. 1263

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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By Senators CIESLA, KYRILLOS, Martin, Singer, MacInnes,
McGreevey, Cafiero and Bennett

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, ¹and 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),¹ 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, ²to the greatest extent possible,² but need
18 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 ²to the
27 greatest extent possible,² 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
30 pursuant to section 1 of this act, together with any maps or indexes

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:

¹ Senate SNR committee amendments adopted June 6, 1996.

² Senate floor amendments adopted October 24, 1996.

1 and any other information deemed helpful to facilitate the use of the
2 areas. ²The department shall annually update the information
3 contained in the pamphlet to provide the public with the most
4 comprehensive and current information on the resources described in
5 section 1 of this act.²

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7 3. Within one year of the publication of the pamphlet completed
8 pursuant to section 2 of this act, the Department of Environmental
9 Protection shall make the information contained in the pamphlet
10 available to the public through ²[the largest] a widely available²
11 nonproprietary cooperative public computer network.

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

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17 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

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