

[Second Reprint]
SENATE, No. 1670

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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By Senators McNAMARA and MARTIN

1 AN ACT appropriating moneys from the "Water Conservation Bond
2 Act," P.L.1969, c.127, for the acquisition of lands or interests
3 therein in the Highlands area for the purpose of augmenting,
4 increasing, improving, preserving, protecting, or conserving natural
5 water resources and supplies important to New Jersey and
6 facilitating recreational uses incidental thereto.

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8 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
9 of New Jersey:

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11 1. There is appropriated from the "Water Conservation Fund"
12 established pursuant to section 13 of the "Water Conservation Bond
13 Act," P.L.1969, c.127, to the Department of Environmental Protection
14 the sum of ¹[\$2,300,000] ²[\$3,300,000¹] \$2,300,000² for the
15 acquisition of lands or interests therein in the Highlands area of New
16 Jersey by the department, in consultation with the Palisades Interstate
17 Park Commission and the North Jersey District Water Supply
18 Commission, for the purpose of augmenting, increasing, improving,
19 preserving, protecting, or conserving natural water resources and
20 supplies important to New Jersey and facilitating recreational uses
21 incidental thereto², except that no amount of this appropriation shall
22 be expended for the acquisition of lands, or interests therein, located
23 in Sussex County or for the acquisition of lands, or interests therein,
24 from a seller other than a willing seller².

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26 2. To the extent that the balance of the moneys available in the
27 "Water Conservation Fund" that have not been previously
28 appropriated pursuant to law is insufficient to support the sum
29 appropriated pursuant to section 1 of this act, the following shall be
30 made available from the "Water Conservation Fund" to support the
31 remainder of the appropriation made in that section as required:

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 SEN committee amendments adopted January 27, 1997.

² Senate SBA committee amendments adopted December 11, 1997.

1 a. moneys returned to the "Water Conservation Fund" due to
2 project withdrawals, cancellations, or cost savings involving projects
3 previously funded by law; and

4 b. moneys previously appropriated pursuant to law from the
5 "Water Conservation Fund" to fund projects but for which no such
6 moneys have been expended, other than for administrative or program
7 purposes, in the five-year period immediately prior to the date of
8 enactment of this act, or to fund projects deemed by the Department
9 of Environmental Protection as of the date of enactment of this act to
10 be otherwise no longer active, the previous appropriation of which is
11 canceled subject to the approval of the Joint Budget Oversight
12 Committee or its successor, except that this subsection shall not apply
13 to moneys appropriated pursuant to P.L.1995, c.7.
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15 3. The expenditure of the sum appropriated from the "Water
16 Conservation Fund" pursuant to section 1 of this act is subject to the
17 provisions and conditions of P.L.1969, c.127, as amended by section
18 26 of P.L.1979, c.86, and as amended and supplemented by P.L.1981,
19 c.233^{1,1}
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21 4. This act shall take effect immediately.
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26 Appropriates \$2.3 million from 1969 "Water Conservation Bond Act"
27 to acquire lands or interest therein in the Highlands area.