

SENATE, No. 2114

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED MAY 22, 1997

By Senator MATHEUSSEN

1 A SUPPLEMENT to "An Act making appropriations for the support of
2 the State Government and the several public purposes for the fiscal
3 year ending June 30, 1997 and regulating the disbursement
4 thereof," approved June 28, 1996 (P.L.1996, c.42).

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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. In addition to the amounts appropriated under P.L.1996, c.42,
10 there is appropriated out of the General Fund the following sum for
11 the purpose specified:

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13 DIRECT STATE SERVICES

14 66 DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY

15 10 Public Safety and Criminal Justice

16 12 Law Enforcement

17 1200 Division of State Police

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19 08-1200 Emergency Services \$1,500,000

20 Special Purpose:

21 Urban Search and Rescue Teams (\$1,500,000)
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23 The unexpended balance in this account as of June 30, 1997 in the Urban Search
24 and Rescue Teams account is appropriated for the same purpose.

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26 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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29 STATEMENT

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31 This bill makes a supplemental appropriation of \$1,500,000 to the
32 Department of Law and Public Safety to be used by the Office of
33 Emergency Management (OEM) to develop, equip and train urban
34 search and rescue teams. The OEM would work in concert with the
35 Division of Fire Safety in the Department of Community Affairs to
36 establish these teams which would respond to emergencies in the
37 State. It is envisioned that these teams could become certified as

1 federal rescue teams once they meet the appropriate standards for
2 training and equipment. The bill further provides that any funds
3 remaining in this account at the end of the fiscal year be carried
4 forward for the same purpose.

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9 Supplemental appropriation of \$1.5 million to DLPS for urban search
10 and rescue teams.