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SENATE, No. 2139

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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**By Senators INVERSO, SINAGRA, Assemblywomen Farragher,
Wright, Assemblymen Azzolina, Cottrell, Kramer, Malone,
Arnone and Assemblywoman J.Smith**

1 **AN ACT** approving projects of certain local government units in
2 central New Jersey as eligible for funding with moneys made
3 available from the "Green Acres, Farmland and Historic
4 Preservation, and Blue Acres Bond Act of 1995," P.L.1995, c.204,
5 the "Green Acres, Clean Water, Farmland and Historic Preservation
6 Bond Act of 1992," P.L.1992, c.88, the "Open Space Preservation
7 Bond Act of 1989," P.L.1989, c.183, or the "New Jersey Green
8 Acres Bond Act of 1983," P.L.1983, c.354.

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10 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
11 of New Jersey:

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13 1. a. The following projects are eligible for funding with moneys
14 made available from the "Green Acres, Farmland and Historic
15 Preservation, and Blue Acres Bond Act of 1995," P.L.1995, c.204, the
16 "Green Acres, Clean Water, Farmland and Historic Preservation Bond
17 Act of 1992," P.L.1992, c.88, the "Open Space Preservation Bond Act
18 of 1989," P.L.1989, c.183, or the "New Jersey Green Acres Bond Act
19 of 1983," P.L.1983, c.354, and which moneys are appropriated or
20 reappropriated pursuant to sections 1 and 2 of P.L. , c. (now
21 before the Legislature as Senate Bill No. 2138 of 1997 or Assembly
22 Bill No. 2991 of 1997):

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| 24 | Local | County | Project | Approved |
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| 25 | Government Unit | | | Amount |
| 26 | East Windsor Twp. | Mercer | Bear Brook Park Acq. | \$ 850,000 |
| 27 | Hamilton Twp. | Mercer | Tyndale Farm Acq. | 400,000 |
| 28 | Hamilton Twp. | Mercer | Isaac Pearson House Acq. | 170,000 |
| 29 | Hamilton Twp. | Mercer | Veterans Park Acq. | 525,000 |
| 30 | Lawrence Twp. | Mercer | Drexel Woods Park Acq. | 2,050,000 |

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| 1 | Mercer County | Mercer | Roebbling Complex Acq. | 400,000 |
| 2 | Edison Twp. | Middlesex | Woodland Grove Acq. | 375,000 |
| 3 | Edison Twp. | Middlesex | Mill Road Park Acq. | 1,070,000 |
| 4 | Local | County | Project | Approved |
| 5 | Government Unit | | | Amount |
| 6 | Edison Twp. | Middlesex | Woodland Avenue Park Acq. | 1,230,000 |
| 7 | Middlesex County | Middlesex | County Open Space | 3,000,000 |
| 8 | | | Program Acq.: | |
| 9 | | | Carteret Boro | |
| 10 | | | Cranbury Twp. | |
| 11 | | | Dunellen Boro | |
| 12 | | | East Brunswick Twp. | |
| 13 | | | Edison Twp. | |
| 14 | | | Helmetta Boro | |
| 15 | | | Highland Park Boro | |
| 16 | | | Jamesburg Boro | |
| 17 | | | Metuchen Boro | |
| 18 | | | Middlesex Boro | |
| 19 | | | Milltown Boro | |
| 20 | | | Monroe Twp. | |
| 21 | | | New Brunswick City | |
| 22 | | | North Brunswick Twp. | |
| 23 | | | Old Bridge Twp. | |
| 24 | | | Perth Amboy City | |
| 25 | | | Piscataway Twp. | |
| 26 | | | Plainsboro Twp. | |
| 27 | | | Sayreville Boro | |
| 28 | | | South Amboy City | |
| 29 | | | South Brunswick Twp. | |
| 30 | | | South Plainfield Boro | |
| 31 | | | South River Boro | |
| 32 | | | Spotswood Boro | |
| 33 | | | Woodbridge Twp. | |
| 34 | Freehold Twp. | Monmouth | Freehold Acq. Plan | 3,000,000 |
| 35 | Millstone Twp. | Monmouth | Top Step Farm Acq. | 1,740,000 |
| 36 | Union Beach Boro | Monmouth | Bayfront Acq. | 100,000 |
| 37 | Upper Freehold | Monmouth | Upper Freehold Park Acq. | 3,000,000 |
| 38 | Twp. | | | |

40 b. Any transfer of funds, or change in project sponsor, site, or
41 type, listed in subsection a. of this section shall require the approval of
42 the Joint Budget Oversight Committee or its successor.

43 c. To the extent that moneys remain available after the projects
44 listed in subsection a. of this section are offered funding pursuant
45 thereto, the local government unit projects listed in P.L.1984, c.224,

1 P.L.1985, c.479, P.L.1986, c.208, P.L.1988, c.23, P.L.1989, c.194,
2 P.L.1991, c.13, P.L.1991, c.14, P.L.1991, c.15, P.L.1991, c.16,
3 P.L.1991, c.522, P.L.1993, c.200, P.L.1993, c.201, P.L.1993, c.266,
4 P.L.1993, c.267, P.L.1994, c.37, P.L.1994, c.45, P.L.1994, c.51,
5 P.L.1994, c.52, P.L.1995, c.199, P.L.1995, c.200, P.L.1995, c.201,
6 P.L.1995, c.202, P.L.1995, c.203, P.L.1996, c.107, P.L.1996, c.108,
7 P.L.1996, c.109, P.L.1996, c.110, section 5 of P.L. , c. (now
8 before the Legislature as Senate Bill No. 2138 of 1997 or Assembly
9 Bill No. 2991 of 1997), section 1 of P.L. , c. (now before the
10 Legislature as Senate Bill No. 2140 of 1997 or Assembly Bill No.
11 2993 of 1997), and section 5 of P.L. , c. (now before the
12 Legislature as Senate Bill No. 2141 of 1997 or Assembly Bill No.
13 2994 of 1997), shall be eligible for funding or additional funding,
14 including administrative costs, in a sequence consistent with the
15 priority system established by the Department of Environmental
16 Protection. Any such transfer of funds, or change in project sponsor,
17 site, or type, shall require the approval of the Joint Budget Oversight
18 Committee or its successor.

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20 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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25 This bill would approve projects of certain local government units
26 in central New Jersey as eligible for funding with moneys made
27 available from the "Green Acres, Farmland and Historic Preservation,
28 and Blue Acres Bond Act of 1995," P.L.1995, c.204, the "Green
29 Acres, Clean Water, Farmland and Historic Preservation Bond Act of
30 1992," P.L.1992, c.88, the "Open Space Preservation Bond Act of
31 1989," P.L.1989, c.183, or the "New Jersey Green Acres Bond Act of
32 1983," P.L.1983, c.354. The funding will be used to provide
33 low-interest loans or grants, or both, to assist the local government
34 units to acquire and develop lands for recreation and conservation
35 purposes, and includes administrative costs. The total sum of the
36 approved amounts for the central New Jersey projects is \$17,910,000.
37 This bill is part of a four-bill legislative package approving the funding
38 of Green Acres or Blue Acres projects of local government units
39 around the State.

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41 To the extent that there are funds remaining after those local
42 government unit projects in central New Jersey listed in this bill are
43 offered funding, the bill also authorizes the Department of
44 Environmental Protection, with the approval of the Joint Budget
45 Oversight Committee, to use those funds for local government unit
46 projects listed in the three other Green Acres or Blue Acres "local
government" bills of this legislative package as well as for local

1 government unit projects previously approved for funding pursuant to
2 various acts implementing the 1983, 1987, 1989, 1992, and 1995
3 Green Acres bond acts.

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8 Approves funding of Green Acres projects for certain local
9 government units in central NJ.