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SENATE RESOLUTION No. 53

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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By Senators PALAIA, CIESLA, Kyrillos, Martin, MacInnes,
McGreevey and Singer

1 A **SENATE RESOLUTION** urging the ~~1~~[Congress and the]~~1~~ President of the
2 United States to reauthorize the Coastal Zone Management Act.
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4 **WHEREAS**, In 1972, the United States Congress enacted the Coastal Zone
5 Management Act (CZMA), which encourages coastal states to develop
6 coastal management programs; and
7 **WHEREAS**, New Jersey was federally approved in 1980 to participate in all
8 aspects of this program, which annually provides approximately \$2.5
9 million in federal funds to support various coastal programs, which in the
10 last year included \$1.8 million for the administration of coastal permitting
11 and permit enforcement programs, \$250,000 for coastal water sampling
12 to monitor nonpoint source pollution, and \$230,000 for Rutgers University
13 to update the New Jersey Shore Protection Master Plan; and
14 **WHEREAS**, The coastal economy generates over \$10 billion in tourism
15 spending annually, is dependent on the maintenance of a healthy coastal
16 environment, and has benefited greatly from the implementation of this
17 federal program in New Jersey; and
18 **WHEREAS**, The CZMA allows states to actively participate in the regulation
19 of offshore waters, even those under federal jurisdiction, and as such has
20 permitted New Jersey to challenge a proposed hazardous waste
21 incineration facility off Cape May, offshore oil drilling and the shipment of
22 radioactive materials off the coast; and
23 **WHEREAS**, The CZMA was last reauthorized in 1990 and requires
24 reauthorization every five years, and failure to reauthorize the CZMA
25 would result in a loss of federal funding for such important upcoming State
26 initiatives as coastal erosion studies along the entire shore, the Barnegat

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.

1 Bay Estuary Program and the Mullica River National Estuarine Research
2 Reserve Program, as well as the ongoing activities noted above; ~~and~~
3 WHEREAS, Both houses of the Congress have voted to reauthorize the Coastal
4 Zone Management Act, which is now awaiting the signature of the
5 President; now, therefore,

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7 **BE IT RESOLVED** *by the Senate of the State of New Jersey:*

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9 1. The Senate of the State of New Jersey hereby urges the ~~the~~ [Congress and
10 the] President of the United States to reauthorize the Coastal Zone
11 Management Act.

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13 2. A duly authorized copy of this resolution, signed by the President of the
14 Senate and attested by the Secretary thereof, shall be transmitted to the
15 ~~President and Vice President of the United States, and to the~~ Governor of
16 the State of New Jersey.

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