

# 13:15B-3

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**SPONSOR(S):** Cardinale and McNamera

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**COMMITTEE:** **ASSEMBLY:** Environment

**SENATE:** Environment

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**DATE OF APPROVAL:** December 1, 2000

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S834

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**COMMITTEE STATEMENT:** **ASSEMBLY:** Yes

**SENATE:** Yes

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# SENATE, No. 834

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 209th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED JANUARY 31, 2000

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**Senator GERALD CARDINALE**

**District 39 (Bergen)**

**Senator HENRY P. MCNAMARA**

**District 40 (Bergen and Passaic)**

**Co-Sponsored by:**

**Senator Baer**

**SYNOPSIS**

Permits Historic New Bridge Landing Park Commission to indemnify local government units from which it leases property.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 3/24/2000)**

1 AN ACT concerning the powers of the Historic New Bridge Landing  
2 Park Commission and amending P.L.1995, c.260.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. Section 3 of P.L.1995, c.260 (C.13:15B-3) is amended to read  
8 as follows:

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10 the following powers:

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12 commission shall be held harmless for acts performed in good faith;

13 b. To adopt a seal and alter the same at its pleasure;

14 c. To adopt bylaws for the regulation of its affairs and the conduct  
15 of its business;

16 d. To maintain an office or offices at such place or places within  
17 the State as it may designate;

18 e. To appoint officers, who need not be members of the  
19 commission, in addition to a secretary and a treasurer, as the  
20 commission deems advisable, and to employ other employees and  
21 agents as may be necessary or desirable in its judgment, to fix their  
22 compensation, and to promote and discharge officers, employees and  
23 agents all without regard to the provisions of Title 11A, Civil Service,  
24 of the New Jersey Statutes;

25 f. To acquire in the name of the commission, hold and dispose of  
26 real and personal property in the exercise of its powers and the  
27 performance of its duties under this act;

28 g. To make, enter into, and perform all contracts and agreements  
29 necessary or incidental to the performance of its duties and the  
30 execution of its powers under this act, including agreements to  
31 indemnify and hold harmless a local government unit against any claim  
32 arising from the use of property leased from that local government unit  
33 by the Historic New Bridge Landing Park Commission;

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36 Register of Historic Places pursuant to the "National Historic  
37 Preservation Act," Pub.L.89-665 (16 U.S.C.470 et al.), as amended  
38 and supplemented by the "National Historic Preservation Act  
39 Amendments of 1980," Pub.L.96-515, and the "National Historic  
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1 devise, bequest, or by other means and to preserve and administer  
2 these properties;

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4 to the historic nature of the property under the commission's  
5 jurisdiction;

6 k. To apply to the Department of Environmental Protection for  
7 grants from the Green Acres or historic preservation bond programs  
8 or other appropriate funding sources, for the purpose of acquisitions  
9 pursuant to subsection f. of this section or for the purposes of  
10 development, preservation, or maintenance of those acquired  
11 properties; and

12 l. To do all acts and things necessary or convenient to carry out the  
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14 (cf: P.L.1995, c.260, s.3).

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30 (cf: P.L.1995, c.260, s.4).

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#### STATEMENT

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SENATE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**SENATE, No. 834**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: FEBRUARY 17, 2000

The Senate Environment Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Senate Bill No. 834.

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ASSEMBLY ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

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P.L. 2000, CHAPTER 158, *approved December 1, 2000*

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### C.13:15B-4 Specific powers of commission.

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Approved December 1, 2000.

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**NEWS RELEASE**

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RELEASE: December 1, 2000

**Governor Christie Whitman Today Signed the Following Legislation:**

**S-1409**, sponsored by Senators Cafiero (R-Cape May/Atlantic/Cumberland) and Schluter (R-Warren/Hunterdon/Mercer) and Assembly Members Asselta (R-Cape May/Atlantic/Cumberland) and Gibson (R-Cape May/Atlantic/Cumberland), allows certain historic hotels to receive a liquor license without regard to the municipality's population.

**S-1132**, sponsored by Senator Schluter (R-Warren/Hunterdon/Mercer) and Assembly Member Lance (R-Warren/Hunterdon/Mercer), provides for licensure of skin care specialty services shops and increases the hours of training required for initial licensure as a manicurist to 300 hours.

**S-834**, sponsored by Senators Cardinale (R-Bergen) and McNamara (R-Bergen/Passaic), permits the Historic New Bridge Landing Park Commission to indemnify local government units from which it leases property.