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SENATE, No. 3129

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 17, 1977

By Senator MARTINDELL

Referred to Committee on State Government, Federal and
Interstate Relations and Veterans Affairs

AN ACT relating to the development of public and nonprofit
museums and museum collections and supplementing chapter 73
of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

1 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
2 *of New Jersey:*

1 1. This act shall be known as and may be cited as the "New Jersey
2 Educational Research and Museum Development Act."

1 2. The Legislature hereby finds and determines that it is in the
2 interest of the citizens of the State of New Jersey to encourage the
3 development of public and nonprofit museums and the loan and
4 contribution of museum collections within the State to help preserve
5 the heritage of the people of this State as well as of this nation
6 and the world and that worthwhile endeavors of such sort, including
7 related activities such as educational and scientific research,
8 library, workshops, museum shops, data collection and museum
9 promotion, should be encouraged. The Legislature further finds
10 and determines that the Department of Education and the Division
11 of the State Museum should be authorized to cooperate and assist,
12 within the limits of available appropriations and resources, public
13 and nonprofit groups in the pursuit of this objective.

1 3. The Department of Education and the commissioner thereof
2 acting through the agencies of said department including the
3 Divisions of the State Museum and Research, Planning and Evalua-
4 tion are hereby authorized to encourage the development of public
5 and nonprofit museums, including museum buildings, and museum
6 collections and activities related thereto including, but not limited
7 to, scientific and educational research, library, workshops, museum
8 shops and museum promotion.

1 4. In furtherance of the objectives of this act, the commissioner
2 or, with his approval, the Director of the State Museum may enter

3 into agreements providing for the cooperation and assistance of
4 the department and the division with any public or nonprofit
5 agency, foundation or organization engaging in some or all of the
6 activities set forth in section 3 of this act. Such cooperation and
7 assistance may include financial assistance, provided, however, that
8 any financial assistance shall be only to the extent that appropria-
9 tions or other available resources will permit.

10 If the department shall determine that the acquisition of any
11 museum or museum activity is in the public interest it may enter
12 into agreements for such purposes. Any agreements which would
13 obligate the State or any of its agencies to assume financial
14 responsibility for the operation or the acquisition of any museum
15 or museum collection or other activities shall be approved in
16 writing by the commissioner and the Governor.

1 5. For the purposes of this act and the statutes herein supple-
2 mented, the State Museum shall consist of the existing State
3 Museum and such other museums and museum collections as shall
4 be approved and acquired pursuant to the provisions of this act.

1 6. This act shall take effect immediately.

STATEMENT

This bill recognizes the responsibility of State Government to encourage the development of public and nonprofit museums and museum collections, including related activities, and permits the Department of Education, through the commissioner and the Division of the State Museum, to cooperate and assist said activities.

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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

FEBRUARY 23, 1978

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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Governor Brendan Byrne today signed into law the following bills:

S-3221, sponsored by Senator Matthew Feldman, D-Bergen, which authorizes police and fire departments to call for emergency assistance from any other municipality.

The bill extends the same rights, immunities and authority to those persons giving assistance as are held by the counterpart police or fire departments.

S-3271, sponsored by Senator Wynona Lipman, D-Essex, which supplements a Treasury Affirmative Action Office appropriation by an amount not to exceed \$40,000 for the Public Contracts Affirmative Action program for FY 1978. This brings the total amount to be used by the Affirmative Action Office from \$160,000 to \$200,000.

S-3461, sponsored by Senator Frank Dodd, D-Essex, which relocates a portion of the boundary line between the townships of Millburn and Livingston.

S-3469, sponsored by former Senator Stephen Wiley, D-Morris, which authorizes the sale of 28 acres of real property at Greystone Psychiatric Hospital to the Township of Denville.

S-3086, sponsored by former Senator Alfred Beadleston, R-Monmouth, which authorizes the issuance of duplicate motor vehicle registration plates for additional vehicles owned by registrants who are amateur radio licensees and who presently have plates consisting of their call letters. These call letters must consist of less than six letters.

S-3482, sponsored by Senator Joseph Merlino, D-Mercer, which appropriates the remainder of the Corrections' funds in the 1976 institutions bond issue.

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The \$19,500,000 appropriation will be used in the following manner:

\$5.7 million for the completion of Trenton State Prison, Phase I; \$12.5 million for the acquisition of land and construction of a new 300-400 bed medium security prison; \$1 million for the construction of a pre-release center; and \$300,000 for repairs and renovations to existing facilities.

S-3129, sponsored by former Senator Anne Martindell, D-Mercer, which is designated as the "New Jersey Education Research and Museum Development Act."

The bill limits the involvement of the state in the operation of any public or non-profit museum or museum collection.

S-272, sponsored by Senator Anthony Scardino, Jr., D-Lyndhurst, which requires nursing homes to take more responsibility in providing nursing home residents with the care they need.

The bill requires the nursing home to make an assessment of each resident's financial resources shortly after admission and to help residents establish eligibility for programs of financial assistance, such as Medicaid, when the resident's own private financial resources have been exhausted.

The nursing home is also required to help residents obtain needed medical care after discharge from the home.

The Department of Health, in consultation with the Department of Human Services, is responsible for monitoring the implementation of the act and helping facilities identify sources of payment and care.

S-518, sponsored by Senator Peter J. McDonough, R-Plainfield, which enumerates specific situations in which a bicyclist may move to the left.

Under present law, bicyclists must always ride as near to the right side of the road as is practicable, and must always ride in single file.

The bill permits bicyclists to move further to the left to: 1) make a left turn from a left hand lane or pocket; 2) avoid debris, drains or other hazardous conditions; 3) pass a slower moving vehicle; 4) occupy an available lane when traveling