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P.L. 2017, CHAPTER 302, *approved January 16, 2018*
Senate, No. 2400

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2 amending R.S.23:4-46.

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5 of New Jersey:

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10 dog.

11 b. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection a. of this
12 section to the contrary, a person permitted by the Division of Fish
13 and Wildlife may use a certified tracking dog on a lead to search for
14 and recover deer lost by a hunter during any hunting season for deer
15 prescribed by the State Fish and Game Code.

16 (cf: P.L.1957, c.116, s.1)

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18 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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23 Current law (R.S.23:4-46) prohibits a person from using a dog, at
24 any time, or for any reason, to hunt for, track, search for, seek,
25 capture, or kill a wild deer. This bill would amend the law to allow
26 a person authorized by the Division of Fish and Wildlife in the
27 Department of Environment Protection to use a certified tracking
28 dog on a lead to search for and recover deer lost by a hunter during
29 any hunting season for deer prescribed by the State Fish and Game
30 Code.

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35 Authorizes use of tracking dog to search for and recover wild
36 deer during prescribed hunting season.

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

SENATE, No. 2400

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 217th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED JUNE 23, 2016

Sponsored by:

Senator NILSA CRUZ-PEREZ

District 5 (Camden and Gloucester)

Senator DIANE B. ALLEN

District 7 (Burlington)

Assemblyman JOHN J. BURZICHELLI

District 3 (Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem)

Assemblyman RONALD S. DANCER

District 12 (Burlington, Middlesex, Monmouth and Ocean)

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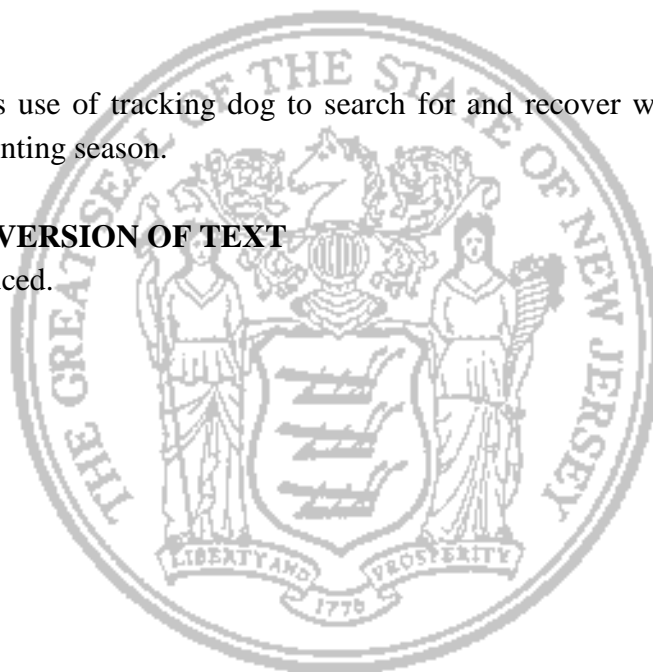
Senator Oroho, Assemblymen Space and Thomson

SYNOPSIS

Authorizes use of tracking dog to search for and recover wild deer during prescribed hunting season.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 1/9/2018)

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SENATE ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 2400

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 20, 2017

The Senate Environment and Energy Committee favorably reports Senate Bill No. 2400.

Current law (R.S.23:4-46) prohibits a person from using a dog, at any time, or for any reason, to hunt for, track, search for, seek, capture, or kill a wild deer. This bill would amend the law to allow a person authorized by the Division of Fish and Wildlife in the Department of Environment Protection to use a certified tracking dog on a lead to search for and recover deer lost by a hunter during any hunting season for deer prescribed by the State Fish and Game Code.

ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 2400

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 18, 2017

The Assembly Appropriations Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 2400.

This bill revises current law, R.S.23:4-46, which prohibits a person from using a dog, at any time, or for any reason, to hunt for, track, search for, seek, capture, or kill a wild deer. This bill allows a person authorized by the Division of Fish and Wildlife in the Department of Environment Protection to use a certified tracking dog on a lead to search for and recover deer lost by a hunter during any hunting season for deer prescribed by the State Fish and Game Code.

As reported, this bill is identical to the Assembly Committee Substitute for Assembly Bill No. 1616, as also reported by the committee.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This bill has not been certified as requiring a Fiscal Note.

ASSEMBLY, No. 1616

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 217th LEGISLATURE

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2016 SESSION

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman DAVID P. RIBLE

District 30 (Monmouth and Ocean)

Assemblyman SCOTT T. RUMANA

District 40 (Bergen, Essex, Morris and Passaic)

Assemblyman PARKER SPACE

District 24 (Morris, Sussex and Warren)

Assemblyman RONALD S. DANCER

District 12 (Burlington, Middlesex, Monmouth and Ocean)

Assemblyman ADAM J. TALIAFERRO

District 3 (Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem)

Assemblyman ANTHONY M. BUCCO

District 25 (Morris and Somerset)

Assemblyman EDWARD H. THOMSON

District 30 (Monmouth and Ocean)

Co-Sponsored by:

Assemblyman Burzichelli

SYNOPSIS

Authorizes use of tracking dog to search for and recover wild deer during prescribed hunting season.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 12/8/2017)

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STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
ASSEMBLY, No. 1616

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 18, 2017

The Assembly Appropriations Committee reports favorably an Assembly Committee Substitute for Assembly Bill No. 1616.

This Committee Substitute revises current law, R.S.23:4-46, which prohibits a person from using a dog, at any time, or for any reason, to hunt for, track, search for, seek, capture, or kill a wild deer. This substitute bill allows a person authorized by the Division of Fish and Wildlife in the Department of Environment Protection to use a certified tracking dog on a lead to search for and recover deer lost by a hunter during any hunting season for deer prescribed by the State Fish and Game Code.

As reported, this substitute bill is identical to Senate Bill No. 2400, as also reported by the committee.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This substitute bill has not been certified for a Fiscal Note.