

**APPROPRIATION  
LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST**

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**LAWS OF:** 2022                    **CHAPTER:** 137

**NJSA:**                    APPROPRIATION  
(Appropriates \$53,249,310 from constitutionally dedicated CBT revenues to DEP for State acquisition of lands for recreation and conservation purposes, including Blue Acres projects, and Green Acres Program administrative costs.)

**BILL NO:**            A4959                    (Substituted for S3362)

**SPONSOR(S)** William W. Spearman and others

**DATE INTRODUCED:** 12/5/2022

**COMMITTEE:**            **ASSEMBLY:** Appropriations

**SENATE:**            ---

**AMENDED DURING PASSAGE:**            No

**DATE OF PASSAGE:**    **ASSEMBLY:** 12/15/2022

**SENATE:**            12/19/2022

**DATE OF APPROVAL:** 12/22/2022

**FOLLOWING ARE ATTACHED IF AVAILABLE:**

**FINAL TEXT OF BILL** (Introduced bill enacted)            Yes

**A4959**

**INTRODUCED BILL:** (Includes sponsor(s) statement)            Yes

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

**SENATE:**            No

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**FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT:**            No

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE:**            No

**S3362**

**INTRODUCED BILL:** (Includes sponsor(s) statement)            Yes

**COMMITTEE STATEMENT:**    **ASSEMBLY:**            No

**SENATE:**            Yes

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**NEWSPAPER ARTICLES:** No

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**18A:7F-4.4 to 18A:7F-4.7; Note to 18A:7F-46**

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**NJSA:** 18A:7F-4.4 to 18A:7F-4.7; Note to 18A:7F-46  
(Directs DOE to develop New Jersey Student Learning Standards in information literacy.)

**BILL NO:** S588                      (Substituted for A4169 (ACS/1R))

**SPONSOR(S)** Michael L. Testa and others

**DATE INTRODUCED:** 1/11/2022

**COMMITTEE:**                      **ASSEMBLY:** Education  
   Science, Innovation and Technology

**SENATE:** Education

**AMENDED DURING PASSAGE:** Yes

**DATE OF PASSAGE:**    **ASSEMBLY:** 10/27/2022

**SENATE:** 11/21/2022

**DATE OF APPROVAL:** 1/4/2023

**FOLLOWING ARE ATTACHED IF AVAILABLE:**

**FINAL TEXT OF BILL**  
(Senate Committee Substitutue (Second Reprint) enacted) Yes

**S588**

**INTRODUCED BILL:** (Includes sponsor(s) statement) Yes

**COMMITTEE STATEMENT:**    **ASSEMBLY:** Yes    Education  
   Science, Innovation and Technology

**SENATE:** Yes    Education

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**FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT:** No

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE:** No

**A4169 (ACS/1R)**

**INTRODUCED BILL:** (Includes sponsor(s) statement) Yes

**COMMITTEE STATEMENT:**    **ASSEMBLY:** Yes    Education  
   Science, Innovation and Technology

**SENATE:** No

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**HEARINGS:** No

**NEWSPAPER ARTICLES:** Yes

Melanie Burney; The Philadelphia Inquirer, 'Murphy signs law requiring media literacy for K-12 Gov. Phil Murphy signs law to make NJ first state to require media literacy for K-12', Press of Atlantic City, The (online), 6 Jan 2023 5A

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**52:27D-132.1; 52:27D-124; 52:27D-132; 40A:11-4.1**

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**NJSA:** 52:27D-132.1; 52:27D-124; 52:27D-132; 40A:11-4.1  
(Provides for expedited construction inspections.)

**BILL NO:** A573                    (Substituted for S3014 (SCS))

**SPONSOR(S)** Robert J. Karabinchak and others

**DATE INTRODUCED:** 1/11/2022

**COMMITTEE:**                    **ASSEMBLY:** Commerce and Economic Development  
Community Development and Affairs

**SENATE:** ---

**AMENDED DURING PASSAGE:** Yes

**DATE OF PASSAGE: ASSEMBLY:** 12/15/2022

**SENATE:** 12/19/2022

**DATE OF APPROVAL:** 1/5/2023

**FOLLOWING ARE ATTACHED IF AVAILABLE:**

**FINAL TEXT OF BILL** (First Reprint enacted)                    Yes

**A573**

**INTRODUCED BILL:** (Includes sponsor(s) statement)                    Yes

**COMMITTEE STATEMENT: ASSEMBLY:**                    Yes                    Commerce & Economic Devel.  
Community Devel. & Affairs

**SENATE:**                    No

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**FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT:**                    No

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE:**                    No

**S3014 (SCS)**

**INTRODUCED BILL:** (Includes sponsor(s) statement)                    Yes

**COMMITTEE STATEMENT: ASSEMBLY:**                    No

**SENATE:**                    Yes                    Community & Urban Aff.

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**34:5A-40 & 34:5A-41**  
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**LAWS OF:** 2022                   **CHAPTER:** 140

**NJSA:** 34:5A-40 & 34:5A-41  
(Increases maximum penalty for certain violations concerning asbestos hazard abatement; allocates moneys from increased penalties to asbestos programs.)

**BILL NO:** A1438                   (Substituted for S2196)

**SPONSOR(S)** James J. Kennedy and others

**DATE INTRODUCED:** 1/11/2022

**COMMITTEE:**                   **ASSEMBLY:** Environment and Solid Waste  
  **SENATE:** Environment and Energy

**AMENDED DURING PASSAGE:** No

**DATE OF PASSAGE:**   **ASSEMBLY:** 2/28/2022  
  **SENATE:** 11/21/2022

**DATE OF APPROVAL:** 1/10/2023

**FOLLOWING ARE ATTACHED IF AVAILABLE:**

**FINAL TEXT OF BILL** (Introduced bill enacted)                   Yes

**A1438**

**INTRODUCED BILL:** (Includes sponsor(s) statement)           Yes

**COMMITTEE STATEMENT:**   **ASSEMBLY:**           Yes    Environ. & Solid Waste  
  **SENATE:**                            Yes    Environ. & Energy

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**FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT:**                                   No

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE:**                                   No

**S2196**

**INTRODUCED BILL:** (Includes sponsor(s) statement)           Yes

**COMMITTEE STATEMENT:**   **ASSEMBLY:**           No  
  **SENATE:**                            Yes    Environ. & Energy

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**REPORTS:** No

**HEARINGS:** Yes

Committee meeting of Senate Environment and Energy Committee : the committee will meet to hear testimony from invited guests on the effects of climate change on agriculture in the state, and potential strategies to make agricultural operations more resilient to climate change [October 6, 2022]

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**NEWSPAPER ARTICLES:** No

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**4:10-80**  
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**LAWS OF:** 2022                    **CHAPTER:** 141

**NJSA:** 4:10-80 (Establishes Organic Farming Board in Department of Agriculture.)

**BILL NO:** A3444                    (Substituted for S3140 (1R))

**SPONSOR(S)** Roy Freiman and others

**DATE INTRODUCED:** 3/8/2022

**COMMITTEE:**                    **ASSEMBLY:** Agriculture and Food Security

**SENATE:** Economic Growth

**AMENDED DURING PASSAGE:** Yes

**DATE OF PASSAGE:**    **ASSEMBLY:** 6/29/2022

**SENATE:** 11/21/2022

**DATE OF APPROVAL:** 1/10/2023

**FOLLOWING ARE ATTACHED IF AVAILABLE:**

**FINAL TEXT OF BILL** (First Reprint enacted)                    Yes

**A3444**

**INTRODUCED BILL:** (Includes sponsor(s) statement)                    Yes

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

**SENATE:**                    Yes

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**FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT:**                    No

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE:**                    No

**S3140 (1R)**

**INTRODUCED BILL:** (Includes sponsor(s) statement)                    Yes

**COMMITTEE STATEMENT:**    **ASSEMBLY:**                    No

**SENATE:**                    Yes

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**HEARINGS:** No

**NEWSPAPER ARTICLES:** Yes

'New help for workers, burdens for businesses Year brings help for workers, burdens for businesses', Press of Atlantic City, The (online), 9 Jan 2023 5A

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P.L. 2022, CHAPTER 137, *approved December 22, 2022*  
Assembly, No. 4959

1 AN ACT appropriating \$53,249,310 from constitutionally dedicated  
2 corporation business tax revenues for the acquisition of lands by  
3 the State for recreation and conservation purposes, including  
4 Blue Acres projects, and certain administrative expenses.

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

8  
9 1. a. There is appropriated to the Department of Environmental  
10 Protection the sum of \$40,600,760 from dedicated corporation  
11 business tax revenues pursuant to Article VIII, Section II, paragraph  
12 6 of the State Constitution in the “Preserve New Jersey Green Acres  
13 Fund,” established pursuant to section 6 of the “Preserve New  
14 Jersey Act,” P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-48), for the acquisition of  
15 lands by the State for recreation and conservation purposes in  
16 accordance with the provisions of the “Preserve New Jersey Act,”  
17 P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-43 et seq.). Of the amount appropriated  
18 pursuant to this subsection, the sum of \$207,000 is available due to  
19 interest earnings on the dedicated corporation business tax revenues  
20 pursuant to Article VIII, Section II, paragraph 6 of the State  
21 Constitution.

22 b. The funds appropriated pursuant to subsection a. of this  
23 section shall be allocated for the acquisition of lands within the  
24 locations of the projects set forth in paragraphs (1) through (10) of  
25 this subsection:

Project	County	Municipality
(1) CAPE MAY PENINSULA		
	Cape May	Cape May City Cape May Point Boro Dennis Twp Lower Twp Middle Twp Ocean City Sea Isle City Upper Twp West Cape May Boro Woodbine Boro
(2) CROSSROADS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION		
	Bergen	Bogota Boro Carlstadt Boro East Rutherford Boro Fort Lee Boro Garfield City

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1		Hackensack City
2		Hasbrouck Heights Boro
3		Leonida Boro
4		Little Ferry Boro
5		Lodi Boro
6		Lyndhurst Twp
7		Maywood Boro
8		Moonachie Boro
9		New Milford Boro
10		North Arlington Boro
11		Palisades Park Boro
12		Ridgefield Park Village
13		River Edge Boro
14		Rochelle Park Twp
15		Rutherford Boro
16		South Hackensack Twp
17		Teterboro Boro
18		Wallington Boro
19		Wood-Ridge Boro
20		
21	Burlington	Beverly City
22		Bordentown City
23		Bordentown Twp
24		Burlington City
25		Burlington Twp
26		Edgewater Park Twp
27		Fieldsboro Boro
28		Florence Twp
29		Hainesport Twp
30		Mansfield Twp
31		Maple Shade Twp
32		Moorestown Twp
33		Mount Holly Twp
34		Mount Laurel Twp
35		Palmyra Boro
36		Riverside Twp
37		Riverton Boro
38		Springfield Twp
39		Westampton Twp
40		Willingboro Twp
41		
42	Camden	Audubon Boro
43		Audubon Park Boro
44		Brooklawn Boro
45		Camden City
46		Cherry Hill Twp
47		Collingswood Boro
48		Gloucester City
49		Haddon Heights Boro
50		Haddon Twp
51		Haddonfield Boro
52		Merchantville Boro
53		Mount Ephraim Boro
54		Oaklyn Boro
55		Pennsauken Twp
56		Woodlynne Boro
57		

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1	Essex	Belleville Twp
2		Irvington Twp
3		Livingston Twp
4		Maplewood Twp
5		Millburn Twp
6		Newark City
7		Nutley Twp
8		
9	Gloucester	National Park Boro
10		West Deptford Twp
11		Westville Boro
12		
13	Hunterdon	Delaware Twp
14		East Amwell Twp
15		Flemington Boro
16		Franklin Twp
17		Frenchtown Boro
18		Kingwood Twp
19		Lambertville City
20		Raritan Twp
21		Readington Twp
22		Stockton Boro
23		West Amwell Twp
24		
25	Mercer	All municipalities
26		
27	Middlesex	All municipalities
28		
29	Monmouth	Aberdeen Twp
30		Allentown Boro
31		Colts Neck Twp
32		Englishtown Boro
33		Freehold Boro
34		Freehold Twp
35		Holmdel Twp
36		Manalapan Twp
37		Marlboro Twp
38		Matawan Boro
39		Millstone Twp
40		Roosevelt Boro
41		Upper Freehold Twp
42		Wall Twp
43		
44	Morris	Boonton Town
45		Boonton Twp
46		Butler Boro
47		Chatham Boro
48		Chatham Twp
49		Chester Boro
50		Denville Twp
51		Dover Town
52		East Hanover Twp
53		Florham Park Boro
54		Hanover Twp
55		Harding Twp
56		Kinnelon Boro
57		Lincoln Park Boro
58		Long Hill Twp

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1		Madison Boro
2		Mendham Boro
3		Mendham Twp
4		Mine Hill Twp
5		Montville Twp
6		Morris Plains Boro
7		Morris Twp
8		Morristown Town
9		Mountain Lakes Boro
10		Parsippany-Troy Hills Twp
11		Pequannock Twp
12		Randolph Twp
13		Riverdale Boro
14		Rockaway Boro
15		Rockaway Twp
16		Victory Gardens Boro
17		Wharton Boro
18		
19	Passaic	Clifton City
20		Passaic City
21		
22	Somerset	All municipalities
23		
24	Union	All municipalities
25		
26	(3) DELAWARE AND RARITAN CANAL GREENWAY	
27		
28	Hunterdon	Delaware Twp
29		Kingwood Twp
30		Lambertville City
31		Stockton Boro
32		West Amwell Twp
33		
34	Mercer	Ewing Twp
35		Hamilton Twp
36		Hopewell Twp
37		Lawrence Twp
38		Princeton Boro
39		Trenton City
40		
41	Middlesex	New Brunswick City
42		Plainsboro Twp
43		South Brunswick Twp
44		
45	Somerset	Franklin Twp
46		
47	(4) DELAWARE BAY WATERSHED GREENWAY	
48		
49	Atlantic	Buena Boro
50		Buena Vista Twp
51		
52	Cape May	Dennis Twp
53		Lower Twp
54		Middle Twp
55		Upper Twp
56		
57	Cumberland	All municipalities
58		



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1	Gloucester	Clayton Boro
2		Elk Twp
3		Franklin Twp
4		Glassboro Boro
5		Monroe Twp
6		Newfield Boro
7		
8	Salem	Alloway Twp
9		Carneys Point Twp
10		Elmer Boro
11		Elsinboro Twp
12		Lower Alloways Creek Twp
13		Mannington Twp
14		Oldmans Twp
15		Pennsville Twp
16		Pilesgrove Twp
17		Pittsgrove Twp
18		Quinton Twp
19		Upper Pittsgrove Twp
20		Woodstown Boro
21		
22	(5) DELAWARE RIVER WATERSHED GREENWAY	
23		
24	Burlington	Bordentown City
25		Bordentown Twp
26		Chesterfield Twp
27		Cinnaminson Twp
28		Delanco Twp
29		Delran Twp
30		Eastampton Twp
31		Hainesport Twp
32		Lumberton Twp
33		Mansfield Twp
34		Medford Twp
35		Moorestown Twp
36		Mount Holly Twp
37		Mount Laurel Twp
38		North Hanover Twp
39		Pemberton Twp
40		Riverside Twp
41		Southampton Twp
42		Springfield Twp
43		Westhampton Twp
44		Willingboro Twp
45		
46	Camden	Berlin Twp
47		Camden City
48		Clementon Boro
49		Gibbsboro Boro
50		Gloucester Twp
51		Haddon Twp
52		Lindenwold Boro
53		Pine Hill Boro
54		Voorhees Twp
55		
56	Gloucester	Deptford Twp
57		East Greenwich Twp
58		Elk Twp

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1		Greenwich Twp
2		Harrison Twp
3		Logan Twp
4		National Park Boro
5		South Harrison Twp
6		Westville Boro
7		Woolwich Twp
8		West Deptford Twp
9	Hunterdon	Alexandria Twp
10		Delaware Twp
11		Frenchtown Boro
12		Kingwood Twp
13		Lambertville City
14		Stockton Boro
15		West Amwell Twp
16		
17	Mercer	Ewing Twp
18		Hamilton Twp
19		Hopewell Twp
20		Robbinsville Twp
21		Trenton City
22		
23	Monmouth	Allentown Boro
24		Millstone Twp
25		Upper Freehold Twp
26		
27	Ocean	Jackson Twp
28		Plumsted Twp
29		
30	Salem	Oldmans Twp
31		Pilesgrove Twp
32		Upper Pittsgrove Twp
33		
34	(6) HIGHLANDS GREENWAY	
35		
36	Bergen	Mahwah Twp
37		Oakland Boro
38		
39	Hunterdon	Alexandria Twp
40		Bethlehem Twp
41		Bloomsbury Boro
42		Califon Boro
43		Clinton Town
44		Clinton Twp
45		Glen Gardner Boro
46		Hampton Boro
47		High Bridge Boro
48		Holland Twp
49		Lebanon Boro
50		Lebanon Twp
51		Milford Boro
52		Tewksbury Twp
53		Union Twp
54		
55	Morris	Boonton Town
56		Boonton Twp
57		Butler Boro
58		Chester Boro

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1		Chester Twp
2		Denville Twp
3		Dover Town
4		Hanover Twp
5		Harding Twp
6		Jefferson Twp
7		Kinnelon Boro
8		Mendham Boro
9		Mendham Twp
10		Mine Hill Twp
11		Montville Twp
12		Morris Plains Boro
13		Morris Twp
14		Morristown Town
15		Mount Arlington Boro
16		Mount Olive Twp
17		Mountain Lakes Boro
18		Netcong Boro
19		Parsippany-Troy Hills Twp
20		Pequannock Twp
21		Randolph Twp
22		Riverdale Boro
23		Rockaway Boro
24		Rockaway Twp
25		Roxbury Twp
26		Victory Gardens Boro
27		Washington Twp
28		Wharton Boro
29		
30	Passaic	Bloomington Boro
31		Pompton Lakes Boro
32		Ringwood Boro
33		Wanaque Boro
34		West Milford Twp
35		
36	Somerset	Bedminster Twp
37		Bernards Twp
38		Bernardsville Boro
39		Far Hills Boro
40		Peapack-Gladstone Boro
41		
42	Sussex	Byram Twp
43		Franklin Boro
44		Green Twp
45		Hamburg Boro
46		Hardyston Twp
47		Hopatcong Boro
48		Ogdensburg Boro
49		Sparta Twp
50		Stanhope Boro
51		Vernon Twp
52		
53	Warren	Allamuchy Twp
54		Alpha Boro
55		Belvidere Town
56		Franklin Twp
57		Frelinghuysen Twp
58		Greenwich Twp

1		Hackettstown Town
2		Harmony Twp
3		Hope Twp
4		Independence Twp
5		Liberty Twp
6		Lopatcong Twp
7		Mansfield Twp
8		Oxford Twp
9		Phillipsburg Town
10		Pohatcong Twp
11		Washington Boro
12		Washington Twp
13		White Twp

14  
15 (7) HISTORIC RESOURCES

16  
17 *Allaire State Park*

18		
19	Monmouth	Howell Twp
20		Wall Twp

21  
22 *Fort Mott Officers Quarters*

23		
24	Salem	Pennsville Twp

25  
26 *Griggstown Muletenders Barracks*

27		
28	Somerset	Franklin Twp

29  
30 *Historic Sites*

31		
32	Burlington	Medford Twp

33		
34	Monmouth	Red Bank Boro

35  
36 *Monmouth Battlefield*

37		
38	Monmouth	Freehold Twp
39		Manalapan Twp

40  
41 *New Bridge Landing*

42		
43	Bergen	New Milford Boro
44		River Edge Boro

45  
46 *Princeton Battlefield*

47		
48	Mercer	Princeton Boro

49  
50 *Proprietary House*

51		
52	Middlesex	Perth Amboy City

53  
54 *Register Eligible Sites*

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56	Somerset	Green Brook Twp
57		Watchung Boro

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1	<i>Rockingham Farmstead</i>		
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3		Somerset	Franklin Twp
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5	<i>Twin Lights</i>		
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7		Monmouth	Highlands Boro
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9	<i>Washington Crossing State Park</i>		
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11		Mercer	Ewing Twp
12			Hopewell Twp
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14	<i>Waterloo Village</i>		
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16		Sussex	Byram Twp
17			Stanhope Boro
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19	(8) PINELANDS		
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21		Atlantic	Brigantine City
22			Buena Boro
23			Buena Vista Twp
24			Corbin City
25			Egg Harbor City
26			Egg Harbor Twp
27			Estell Manor City
28			Folsom Boro
29			Galloway Twp
30			Hamilton Twp
31			Hammonton Town
32			Mullica Twp
33			Port Republic City
34			Weymouth Twp
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36		Burlington	Bass River Twp
37			Evesham Twp
38			Medford Lakes Boro
39			Medford Twp
40			New Hanover Twp
41			North Hanover Twp
42			Pemberton Twp
43			Shamong Twp
44			Southampton Twp
45			Springfield Twp
46			Tabernacle Twp
47			Washington Twp
48			Woodland Twp
49			Wrightstown Boro
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51		Camden	Berlin Boro
52			Berlin Twp
53			Chesilhurst Boro
54			Waterford Twp
55			Winslow Twp
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57		Cape May	Dennis Twp
58			Middle Twp

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1		Upper Twp
2		Woodbine Boro
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4	Cumberland	Maurice River Twp
5		Vineland City
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7	Gloucester	Franklin Twp
8		Monroe Twp
9	Ocean	Barnegat Twp
10		Beachwood Boro
11		Berkeley Twp
12		Eagleswood Twp
13		Jackson Twp
14		Lacey Twp
15		Lakehurst Boro
16		Little Egg Harbor Twp
17		Manchester Twp
18		Ocean Twp
19		Plumsted Twp
20		South Toms River Boro
21		Stafford Twp
22		Toms River Twp
23		Tuckerton Boro

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(9) RIDGE AND VALLEY GREENWAY

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(10) URBAN PARKS

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	Sussex	Andover Boro
		Andover Twp
		Branchville Boro
		Frankford Twp
		Fredon Twp
		Green Twp
		Hampton Twp
		Lafayette Twp
		Montague Twp
		Newton Town
		Sandyston Twp
		Stillwater Twp
		Sussex Boro
		Walpack Twp
		Wantage Twp
	Warren	Blairstown Twp
		Frelinghuysen Twp
		Hackettstown Town
		Hardwick Twp
		Hope Twp
		Knowlton Twp
		Liberty Twp
	Bergen	Edgewater Boro
	Camden	Camden City
	Essex	Belleville Twp
		Bloomfield Twp

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1		Caldwell Boro
2		Cedar Grove Twp
3		East Orange City
4		Glen Ridge Boro
5		Irvington Twp
6		Maplewood Twp
7		Montclair Twp
8		Newark City
9		Nutley Twp
10		Orange City Twp
11		South Orange Village Twp
12		West Orange Twp
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14	Hudson	All municipalities
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16	Mercer	Trenton City
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18	Middlesex	Edison Twp
19		
20	Monmouth	Long Branch City
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22	Passaic	Paterson City
23		Totowa Boro
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25	Union	Elizabeth City
26		Fanwood Boro
27		Garwood Boro
28		Hillside Twp
29		Linden City
30		Plainfield City
31		Rahway City
32		Roselle Boro
33		Roselle Park Boro
34		Union Twp
35		Winfield Twp
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37	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$40,600,760</b>
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39 c. The expenditure of funds appropriated pursuant to  
40 subsection a. of this section for any project listed in subsection b. of  
41 this section shall not require the approval of the Joint Budget  
42 Oversight Committee, or its successor.

43 d. To the extent that moneys remain available after the projects  
44 listed in subsection b. of this section are offered funding pursuant  
45 thereto, any State project that previously received funding  
46 appropriated or reappropriated from any Green Acres bond act, any  
47 annual appropriations act, the Garden State Green Acres  
48 Preservation Trust Fund, established pursuant to the "Garden State  
49 Preservation Trust Act," P.L.1999, c.152 (C.13:8C-1 et seq.), or the  
50 "Preserve New Jersey Green Acres Fund," established pursuant to  
51 section 6 of the "Preserve New Jersey Act," P.L.2016, c.12  
52 (C.13:8C-48), for recreation and conservation purposes shall be  
53 eligible to receive additional funding, as determined by the

1 Department of Environmental Protection, subject to the approval of  
 2 the Joint Budget Oversight Committee or its successor.

3 For the purposes of this subsection, “Green Acres bond act”  
 4 means P.L.2009, c.117, P.L.2007, c.119, P.L.1995, c.204, P.L.1992,  
 5 c.88, and P.L.1989, c.183.

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 7 2. a. There is appropriated to the Department of  
 8 Environmental Protection the sum of \$10 million from dedicated  
 9 corporation business tax revenues pursuant to Article VIII, Section  
 10 II, paragraph 6 of the State Constitution in the “Preserve New  
 11 Jersey Green Acres Fund,” established pursuant to section 6 of the  
 12 “Preserve New Jersey Act,” P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-48), for the  
 13 acquisition, for recreation and conservation purposes, of lands  
 14 throughout the State that have been damaged by, or may be prone to  
 15 incurring damage caused by, storms or storm-related flooding, or  
 16 that may buffer or protect other lands from such damage. Of the  
 17 amount appropriated pursuant to this subsection, the sum of  
 18 \$71,000 is available due to interest earnings on the dedicated  
 19 corporation business tax revenues pursuant to Article VIII, Section  
 20 II, paragraph 6 of the State Constitution.

21 b. The funds appropriated pursuant to subsection a. of this  
 22 section shall be allocated as follows:

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24 Project	County	Municipality	Amount
25 BLUE ACRES			\$10,000,000
26	27 Every county	28 Every municipality	
29			
30 <b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$10,000,000</b>

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 32 c. The expenditure of moneys appropriated pursuant to this  
 33 section is subject to the provisions of the “Preserve New Jersey  
 34 Act,” P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-43 et seq.).

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 36 3. a. There is reappropriated to the Department of  
 37 Environmental Protection the unexpended balances, due to project  
 38 cancellations or cost savings, of the amounts appropriated or  
 39 reappropriated from this act, any Green Acres bond act, any annual  
 40 appropriations act, the Garden State Green Acres Preservation Trust  
 41 Fund, established pursuant to the “Garden State Preservation Trust  
 42 Act,” P.L.1999, c.152 (C.13:8C-1 et seq.), or the “Preserve New  
 43 Jersey Green Acres Fund,” established pursuant to section 6 of the  
 44 “Preserve New Jersey Act,” P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-48), for State  
 45 projects to acquire or develop lands for recreation and conservation  
 46 purposes, for the purpose of providing additional funding, as  
 47 determined by the Department of Environmental Protection, to any  
 48 State project that previously received funding appropriated or  
 49 reappropriated from any Green Acres bond act, any annual



1 appropriations act, the Garden State Green Acres Preservation Trust  
2 Fund, or the “Preserve New Jersey Green Acres Fund” for  
3 recreation and conservation purposes or that receives funding  
4 approved pursuant to section 1 of this act, subject to the approval of  
5 the Joint Budget Oversight Committee or its successor. Any such  
6 additional funding provided from a Green Acres bond act may  
7 include administrative costs.

8 b. For the purposes of this section, “Green Acres bond act”  
9 means P.L.2009, c.117, P.L.2007, c.119, P.L.1995, c.204, P.L.1992,  
10 c.88, and P.L.1989, c.183.

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12 4. There is appropriated to the Department of Environmental  
13 Protection the sum of \$2,648,550 from dedicated corporation  
14 business tax revenues pursuant to Article VIII, Section II, paragraph  
15 6 of the State Constitution in the “Preserve New Jersey Green Acres  
16 Fund,” established pursuant to section 6 of the “Preserve New  
17 Jersey Act,” P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-48), for paying administrative  
18 costs associated with administering the applicable provisions of  
19 P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-43 et seq.).

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21 5. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the  
22 “Preserve New Jersey Green Acres Fund,” established pursuant to  
23 section 6 of the “Preserve New Jersey Act,” P.L.2016, c.12  
24 (C.13:8C-48), the sum of \$53,249,310 to implement the provisions  
25 of this act.

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27 6. This act shall take effect immediately.

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30 STATEMENT

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32 This bill appropriates the sum of \$53,249,310 to the Department  
33 of Environmental Protection (DEP) to provide funding for the  
34 acquisition by the State of lands for recreation and conservation  
35 purposes, including for Blue Acres projects, pursuant to the  
36 “Preserve New Jersey Act,” P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-43 et seq.).

37 The funding in this bill is provided from constitutionally  
38 dedicated corporation business tax (CBT) revenues pursuant to  
39 Article VIII, Section II, paragraph 6 of the State Constitution,  
40 approved by the voters of the State in November 2014. The  
41 “Preserve New Jersey Act” implements the constitutional  
42 dedication of CBT revenues for open space, farmland, and historic  
43 preservation. The act provides that a certain amount of the portion  
44 of dedicated CBT revenues allocated each year for the Green Acres  
45 program is to be used for: the acquisition of lands for open space,  
46 including Blue Acres projects, and development projects on State  
47 lands administered by the DEP’s Division of Fish and Wildlife and  
48 Division of Parks and Forestry; grants and loans to fund local

1 government open space acquisition and development projects; and  
2 grants to nonprofit entities to acquire or develop lands for  
3 recreation and conservation purposes. This bill appropriates  
4 moneys for State open space acquisition projects, including for Blue  
5 Acres projects.

6 Specifically, this bill appropriates \$40,600,760 to the DEP from  
7 the “Preserve New Jersey Green Acres Fund” to provide funding for  
8 the acquisition by the State of lands for recreation and conservation  
9 purposes. This appropriation allocates funding for the acquisition  
10 by the State of lands, for recreation and conservation purposes,  
11 located throughout the State within the ten project categories  
12 identified in section 1 of the bill. The bill also appropriates \$10  
13 million to the DEP to provide funding for the acquisition by the  
14 State, for recreation and conservation purposes, of properties  
15 throughout the State that are prone to or have incurred flood or  
16 storm damage, or that may buffer or protect other lands from such  
17 damage, i.e., “Blue Acres” projects. In addition, the bill  
18 appropriates \$2,648,550 to the DEP for the purposes of paying  
19 administrative costs associated with administering the applicable  
20 provisions of the “Preserve New Jersey Act.”

21 The “Preserve New Jersey Green Acres Fund” was established  
22 by section 6 of the “Preserve New Jersey Act.” P.L.2019, c.136  
23 amended the “Preserve New Jersey Act” to incorporate the purposes  
24 of the “Preserve New Jersey Blue Acres Fund” into the “Preserve  
25 New Jersey Green Acres Fund,” rather than having two separate  
26 funds, both providing moneys to the DEP’s Green Acres program  
27 for the acquisition of lands for recreation and conservation  
28 purposes. Of the funding allocated for the acquisition of lands for  
29 recreation and conservation purposes by the State, a minimum of 10  
30 percent is to be allocated for Blue Acres projects.

31 The projects and appropriations listed in this bill have been  
32 approved by the DEP and the Garden State Preservation Trust.

33 Lastly, the bill authorizes the department to re-distribute certain  
34 other moneys made available by project cancellations or cost  
35 savings to provide additional funding, for recreation and  
36 conservation purposes, to previously approved and funded State  
37 projects, subject to the approval of the Joint Budget Oversight  
38 Committee. The bill provides that the additional funding, if  
39 provided from a Green Acres bond act, may include administrative  
40 costs.

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45 Appropriates \$53,249,310 from constitutionally dedicated CBT  
46 revenues to DEP for State acquisition of lands for recreation and  
47 conservation purposes, including Blue Acres projects, and Green  
48 Acres Program administrative costs.

# ASSEMBLY, No. 4959

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 220th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED DECEMBER 5, 2022

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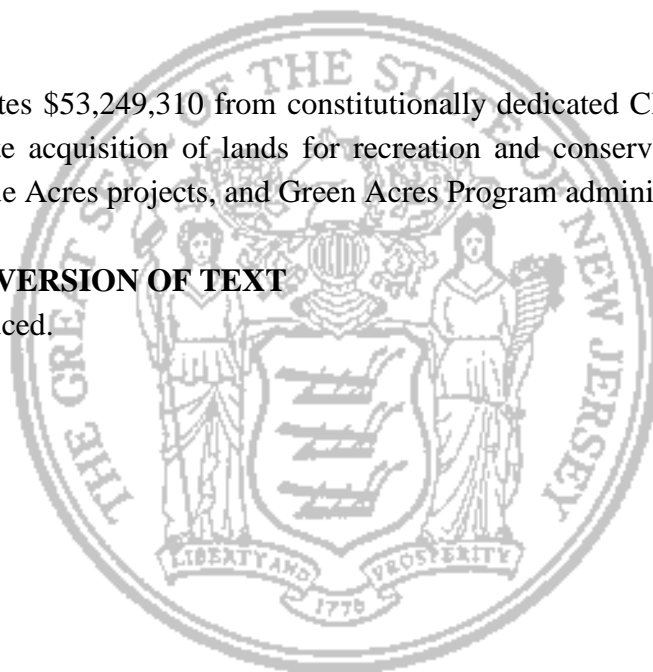
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**SYNOPSIS**

Appropriates \$53,249,310 from constitutionally dedicated CBT revenues to DEP for State acquisition of lands for recreation and conservation purposes, including Blue Acres projects, and Green Acres Program administrative costs.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 12/19/2022)**

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1 AN ACT appropriating \$53,249,310 from constitutionally dedicated  
2 corporation business tax revenues for the acquisition of lands by  
3 the State for recreation and conservation purposes, including  
4 Blue Acres projects, and certain administrative expenses.

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

8  
9 1. a. There is appropriated to the Department of  
10 Environmental Protection the sum of \$40,600,760 from dedicated  
11 corporation business tax revenues pursuant to Article VIII, Section  
12 II, paragraph 6 of the State Constitution in the “Preserve New  
13 Jersey Green Acres Fund,” established pursuant to section 6 of the  
14 “Preserve New Jersey Act,” P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-48), for the  
15 acquisition of lands by the State for recreation and conservation  
16 purposes in accordance with the provisions of the “Preserve New  
17 Jersey Act,” P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-43 et seq.). Of the amount  
18 appropriated pursuant to this subsection, the sum of \$207,000 is  
19 available due to interest earnings on the dedicated corporation  
20 business tax revenues pursuant to Article VIII, Section II, paragraph  
21 6 of the State Constitution.

22 b. The funds appropriated pursuant to subsection a. of this  
23 section shall be allocated for the acquisition of lands within the  
24 locations of the projects set forth in paragraphs (1) through (10) of  
25 this subsection:

26	27	28	29
	<b>Project</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Municipality</b>
30	(1) CAPE MAY PENINSULA		
31		Cape May	Cape May City
32			Cape May Point Boro
33			Dennis Twp
34			Lower Twp
35			Middle Twp
36			Ocean City
37			Sea Isle City
38			Upper Twp
39			West Cape May Boro
40			Woodbine Boro
41			
42	(2) CROSSROADS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION		
43		Bergen	Bogota Boro
44			Carlstadt Boro
45			East Rutherford Boro
46			Fort Lee Boro
47			Garfield City
48			Hackensack City
49			Hasbrouck Heights Boro
50			Leonia Boro
51			Little Ferry Boro
52			Lodi Boro
53			Lyndhurst Twp

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1		Maywood Boro
2		Moonachie Boro
3		New Milford Boro
4		North Arlington Boro
5		Palisades Park Boro
6		Ridgefield Park Village
7		River Edge Boro
8		Rochelle Park Twp
9		Rutherford Boro
10		South Hackensack Twp
11		Teterboro Boro
12		Wallington Boro
13		Wood-Ridge Boro
14		
15	Burlington	Beverly City
16		Bordentown City
17		Bordentown Twp
18		Burlington City
19		Burlington Twp
20		Edgewater Park Twp
21		Fieldsboro Boro
22		Florence Twp
23		Hainesport Twp
24		Mansfield Twp
25		Maple Shade Twp
26		Moorestown Twp
27		Mount Holly Twp
28		Mount Laurel Twp
29		Palmyra Boro
30		Riverside Twp
31		Riverton Boro
32		Springfield Twp
33		Westampton Twp
34		Willingboro Twp
35		
36	Camden	Audubon Boro
37		Audubon Park Boro
38		Brooklawn Boro
39		Camden City
40		Cherry Hill Twp
41		Collingswood Boro
42		Gloucester City
43		Haddon Heights Boro
44		Haddon Twp
45		Haddonfield Boro
46		Merchantville Boro
47		Mount Ephraim Boro
48		Oaklyn Boro
49		Pennsauken Twp
50		Woodlynne Boro
51		
52	Essex	Belleville Twp
53		Irvington Twp
54		Livingston Twp
55		Maplewood Twp
56		Millburn Twp
57		Newark City
58		Nutley Twp

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1	Gloucester	National Park Boro
2		West Deptford Twp
3		Westville Boro
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5	Hunterdon	Delaware Twp
6		East Amwell Twp
7		Flemington Boro
8		Franklin Twp
9		Frenchtown Boro
10		Kingwood Twp
11		Lambertville City
12		Raritan Twp
13		Readington Twp
14		Stockton Boro
15		West Amwell Twp
16		
17	Mercer	All municipalities
18		
19	Middlesex	All municipalities
20		
21	Monmouth	Aberdeen Twp
22		Allentown Boro
23		Colts Neck Twp
24		Englishtown Boro
25		Freehold Boro
26		Freehold Twp
27		Holmdel Twp
28		Manalapan Twp
29		Marlboro Twp
30		Matawan Boro
31		Millstone Twp
32		Roosevelt Boro
33		Upper Freehold Twp
34		Wall Twp
35		
36	Morris	Boonton Town
37		Boonton Twp
38		Butler Boro
39		Chatham Boro
40		Chatham Twp
41		Chester Boro
42		Denville Twp
43		Dover Town
44		East Hanover Twp
45		Florham Park Boro
46		Hanover Twp
47		Harding Twp
48		Kinnelon Boro
49		Lincoln Park Boro
50		Long Hill Twp
51		Madison Boro
52		Mendham Boro
53		Mendham Twp
54		Mine Hill Twp
55		Montville Twp
56		Morris Plains Boro
57		Morris Twp
58		Morristown Town

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1		Mountain Lakes Boro
2		Parsippany-Troy Hills Twp
3		Pequannock Twp
4		Randolph Twp
5		Riverdale Boro
6		Rockaway Boro
7		Rockaway Twp
8		Victory Gardens Boro
9		Wharton Boro
10		
11	Passaic	Clifton City
12		Passaic City
13		
14	Somerset	All municipalities
15		
16	Union	All municipalities
17		
18	(3) DELAWARE AND RARITAN CANAL GREENWAY	
19		
20	Hunterdon	Delaware Twp
21		Kingwood Twp
22		Lambertville City
23		Stockton Boro
24		West Amwell Twp
25		
26	Mercer	Ewing Twp
27		Hamilton Twp
28		Hopewell Twp
29		Lawrence Twp
30		Princeton Boro
31		Trenton City
32		
33	Middlesex	New Brunswick City
34		Plainsboro Twp
35		South Brunswick Twp
36		
37	Somerset	Franklin Twp
38		
39	(4) DELAWARE BAY WATERSHED GREENWAY	
40		
41	Atlantic	Buena Boro
42		Buena Vista Twp
43		
44	Cape May	Dennis Twp
45		Lower Twp
46		Middle Twp
47		Upper Twp
48		
49	Cumberland	All municipalities
50		
51	Gloucester	Clayton Boro
52		Elk Twp
53		Franklin Twp
54		Glassboro Boro
55		Monroe Twp
56		Newfield Boro
57		
58	Salem	Alloway Twp

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1		Carneys Point Twp
2		Elmer Boro
3		Elsinboro Twp
4		Lower Alloways Creek Twp
5		Mannington Twp
6		Oldmans Twp
7		Pennsville Twp
8		Pilesgrove Twp
9		Pittsgrove Twp
10		Quinton Twp
11		Upper Pittsgrove Twp
12		Woodstown Boro

(5) DELAWARE RIVER WATERSHED GREENWAY

16	Burlington	Bordentown City
17		Bordentown Twp
18		Chesterfield Twp
19		Cinnaminson Twp
20		Delanco Twp
21		Delran Twp
22		Eastampton Twp
23		Hainesport Twp
24		Lumberton Twp
25		Mansfield Twp
26		Medford Twp
27		Moorestown Twp
28		Mount Holly Twp
29		Mount Laurel Twp
30		North Hanover Twp
31		Pemberton Twp
32		Riverside Twp
33		Southampton Twp
34		Springfield Twp
35		Westhampton Twp
36		Willingboro Twp
38	Camden	Berlin Twp
39		Camden City
40		Clementon Boro
41		Gibbsboro Boro
42		Gloucester Twp
43		Haddon Twp
44		Lindenwold Boro
45		Pine Hill Boro
46		Voorhees Twp
48	Gloucester	Deptford Twp
49		East Greenwich Twp
50		Elk Twp
51		Greenwich Twp
52		Harrison Twp
53		Logan Twp
54		National Park Boro
55		South Harrison Twp
56		Westville Boro
57		Woolwich Twp
58		West Deptford Twp



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1	Hunterdon	Alexandria Twp
2		Delaware Twp
3		Frenchtown Boro
4		Kingwood Twp
5		Lambertville City
6		Stockton Boro
7		West Amwell Twp
8		
9	Mercer	Ewing Twp
10		Hamilton Twp
11		Hopewell Twp
12		Robbinsville Twp
13		Trenton City
14		
15	Monmouth	Allentown Boro
16		Millstone Twp
17		Upper Freehold Twp
18		
19	Ocean	Jackson Twp
20		Plumsted Twp
21		
22	Salem	Oldmans Twp
23		Pilesgrove Twp
24		Upper Pittsgrove Twp
25		
26	(6) HIGHLANDS GREENWAY	
27		
28	Bergen	Mahwah Twp
29		Oakland Boro
30		
31	Hunterdon	Alexandria Twp
32		Bethlehem Twp
33		Bloomsbury Boro
34		Califon Boro
35		Clinton Town
36		Clinton Twp
37		Glen Gardner Boro
38		Hampton Boro
39		High Bridge Boro
40		Holland Twp
41		Lebanon Boro
42		Lebanon Twp
43		Milford Boro
44		Tewksbury Twp
45		Union Twp
46		
47	Morris	Boonton Town
48		Boonton Twp
49		Butler Boro
50		Chester Boro
51		Chester Twp
52		Denville Twp
53		Dover Town
54		Hanover Twp
55		Harding Twp
56		Jefferson Twp
57		Kinnelon Boro
58		Mendham Boro

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1		Mendham Twp
2		Mine Hill Twp
3		Montville Twp
4		Morris Plains Boro
5		Morris Twp
6		Morristown Town
7		Mount Arlington Boro
8		Mount Olive Twp
9		Mountain Lakes Boro
10		Netcong Boro
11		Parsippany-Troy Hills Twp
12		Pequannock Twp
13		Randolph Twp
14		Riverdale Boro
15		Rockaway Boro
16		Rockaway Twp
17		Roxbury Twp
18		Victory Gardens Boro
19		Washington Twp
20		Wharton Boro
21		
22	Passaic	Bloomington Boro
23		Pompton Lakes Boro
24		Ringwood Boro
25		Wanaque Boro
26		West Milford Twp
27		
28	Somerset	Bedminster Twp
29		Bernards Twp
30		Bernardsville Boro
31		Far Hills Boro
32		Peapack-Gladstone Boro
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34	Sussex	Byram Twp
35		Franklin Boro
36		Green Twp
37		Hamburg Boro
38		Hardyston Twp
39		Hopatcong Boro
40		Ogdensburg Boro
41		Sparta Twp
42		Stanhope Boro
43		Vernon Twp
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45	Warren	Allamuchy Twp
46		Alpha Boro
47		Belvidere Town
48		Franklin Twp
49		Frelinghuysen Twp
50		Greenwich Twp
51		Hackettstown Town
52		Harmony Twp
53		Hope Twp
54		Independence Twp
55		Liberty Twp
56		Lopatcong Twp
57		Mansfield Twp
58		Oxford Twp

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1		Phillipsburg Town
2		Pohatcong Twp
3		Washington Boro
4		Washington Twp
5		White Twp
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7	(7) HISTORIC RESOURCES	
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9	<i>Allaire State Park</i>	
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11	Monmouth	Howell Twp
12		Wall Twp
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14	<i>Fort Mott Officers Quarters</i>	
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16	Salem	Pennsville Twp
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18	<i>Griggstown Muletenders Barracks</i>	
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20	Somerset	Franklin Twp
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22	<i>Historic Sites</i>	
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24	Burlington	Medford Twp
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26	Monmouth	Red Bank Boro
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28	<i>Monmouth Battlefield</i>	
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30	Monmouth	Freehold Twp
31		Manalapan Twp
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33	<i>New Bridge Landing</i>	
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35	Bergen	New Milford Boro
36		River Edge Boro
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38	<i>Princeton Battlefield</i>	
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40	Mercer	Princeton Boro
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42	<i>Proprietary House</i>	
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44	Middlesex	Perth Amboy City
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46	<i>Register Eligible Sites</i>	
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48	Somerset	Green Brook Twp
49		Watchung Boro
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51	<i>Rockingham Farmstead</i>	
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53	Somerset	Franklin Twp
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55	<i>Twin Lights</i>	
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57	Monmouth	Highlands Boro

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1	<i>Washington Crossing State Park</i>		
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3		Mercer	Ewing Twp
4			Hopewell Twp
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6	<i>Waterloo Village</i>		
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8		Sussex	Byram Twp
9			Stanhope Boro
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11	(8) PINELANDS		
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13		Atlantic	Brigantine City
14			Buena Boro
15			Buena Vista Twp
16			Corbin City
17			Egg Harbor City
18			Egg Harbor Twp
19			Estell Manor City
20			Folsom Boro
21			Galloway Twp
22			Hamilton Twp
23			Hammonton Town
24			Mullica Twp
25			Port Republic City
26			Weymouth Twp
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28		Burlington	Bass River Twp
29			Evesham Twp
30			Medford Lakes Boro
31			Medford Twp
32			New Hanover Twp
33			North Hanover Twp
34			Pemberton Twp
35			Shamong Twp
36			Southampton Twp
37			Springfield Twp
38			Tabernacle Twp
39			Washington Twp
40			Woodland Twp
41			Wrightstown Boro
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43		Camden	Berlin Boro
44			Berlin Twp
45			Chesilhurst Boro
46			Waterford Twp
47			Winslow Twp
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49		Cape May	Dennis Twp
50			Middle Twp
51			Upper Twp
52			Woodbine Boro
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54		Cumberland	Maurice River Twp
55			Vineland City
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57		Gloucester	Franklin Twp
58			Monroe Twp

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1	Ocean	Barnegat Twp
2		Beachwood Boro
3		Berkeley Twp
4		Eagleswood Twp
5		Jackson Twp
6		Lacey Twp
7		Lakehurst Boro
8		Little Egg Harbor Twp
9		Manchester Twp
10		Ocean Twp
11		Plumsted Twp
12		South Toms River Boro
13		Stafford Twp
14		Toms River Twp
15		Tuckerton Boro

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(9) RIDGE AND VALLEY GREENWAY

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(10) URBAN PARKS

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Sussex	Andover Boro
	Andover Twp
	Branchville Boro
	Frankford Twp
	Fredon Twp
	Green Twp
	Hampton Twp
	Lafayette Twp
	Montague Twp
	Newton Town
	Sandyston Twp
	Stillwater Twp
	Sussex Boro
	Walpack Twp
	Wantage Twp
Warren	Blairstown Twp
	Frelinghuysen Twp
	Hackettstown Town
	Hardwick Twp
	Hope Twp
	Knowlton Twp
	Liberty Twp
Bergen	Edgewater Boro
Camden	Camden City
Essex	Belleville Twp
	Bloomfield Twp
	Caldwell Boro
	Cedar Grove Twp
	East Orange City
	Glen Ridge Boro
	Irvington Twp
	Maplewood Twp
	Montclair Twp
	Newark City

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1		Nutley Twp
2		Orange City Twp
3		South Orange Village Twp
4		West Orange Twp
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6	Hudson	All municipalities
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8	Mercer	Trenton City
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10	Middlesex	Edison Twp
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12	Monmouth	Long Branch City
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14	Passaic	Paterson City
15		Totowa Boro
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17	Union	Elizabeth City
18		Fanwood Boro
19		Garwood Boro
20		Hillside Twp
21		Linden City
22		Plainfield City
23		Rahway City
24		Roselle Boro
25		Roselle Park Boro
26		Union Twp
27		Winfield Twp
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29	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$40,600,760</b>

31 c. The expenditure of funds appropriated pursuant to  
 32 subsection a. of this section for any project listed in subsection b. of  
 33 this section shall not require the approval of the Joint Budget  
 34 Oversight Committee, or its successor.

35 d. To the extent that moneys remain available after the projects  
 36 listed in subsection b. of this section are offered funding pursuant  
 37 thereto, any State project that previously received funding  
 38 appropriated or reappropriated from any Green Acres bond act, any  
 39 annual appropriations act, the Garden State Green Acres  
 40 Preservation Trust Fund, established pursuant to the "Garden State  
 41 Preservation Trust Act," P.L.1999, c.152 (C.13:8C-1 et seq.), or the  
 42 "Preserve New Jersey Green Acres Fund," established pursuant to  
 43 section 6 of the "Preserve New Jersey Act," P.L.2016, c.12  
 44 (C.13:8C-48), for recreation and conservation purposes shall be  
 45 eligible to receive additional funding, as determined by the  
 46 Department of Environmental Protection, subject to the approval of  
 47 the Joint Budget Oversight Committee or its successor.

48 For the purposes of this subsection, "Green Acres bond act"  
 49 means P.L.2009, c.117, P.L.2007, c.119, P.L.1995, c.204, P.L.1992,  
 50 c.88, and P.L.1989, c.183.

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 52 2. a. There is appropriated to the Department of  
 53 Environmental Protection the sum of \$10 million from dedicated

1 corporation business tax revenues pursuant to Article VIII, Section  
 2 II, paragraph 6 of the State Constitution in the “Preserve New  
 3 Jersey Green Acres Fund,” established pursuant to section 6 of the  
 4 “Preserve New Jersey Act,” P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-48), for the  
 5 acquisition, for recreation and conservation purposes, of lands  
 6 throughout the State that have been damaged by, or may be prone to  
 7 incurring damage caused by, storms or storm-related flooding, or  
 8 that may buffer or protect other lands from such damage. Of the  
 9 amount appropriated pursuant to this subsection, the sum of  
 10 \$71,000 is available due to interest earnings on the dedicated  
 11 corporation business tax revenues pursuant to Article VIII, Section  
 12 II, paragraph 6 of the State Constitution.

13 b. The funds appropriated pursuant to subsection a. of this  
 14 section shall be allocated as follows:

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16 Project	County	Municipality	Amount
17 BLUE ACRES			\$10,000,000
18	Every county	Every municipality	
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22 <b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$10,000,000</b>

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24 c. The expenditure of moneys appropriated pursuant to this  
 25 section is subject to the provisions of the “Preserve New Jersey  
 26 Act,” P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-43 et seq.).

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28 3. a. There is reappropriated to the Department of  
 29 Environmental Protection the unexpended balances, due to project  
 30 cancellations or cost savings, of the amounts appropriated or  
 31 reappropriated from this act, any Green Acres bond act, any annual  
 32 appropriations act, the Garden State Green Acres Preservation Trust  
 33 Fund, established pursuant to the “Garden State Preservation Trust  
 34 Act,” P.L.1999, c.152 (C.13:8C-1 et seq.), or the “Preserve New  
 35 Jersey Green Acres Fund,” established pursuant to section 6 of the  
 36 “Preserve New Jersey Act,” P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-48), for State  
 37 projects to acquire or develop lands for recreation and conservation  
 38 purposes, for the purpose of providing additional funding, as  
 39 determined by the Department of Environmental Protection, to any  
 40 State project that previously received funding appropriated or  
 41 reappropriated from any Green Acres bond act, any annual  
 42 appropriations act, the Garden State Green Acres Preservation Trust  
 43 Fund, or the “Preserve New Jersey Green Acres Fund” for  
 44 recreation and conservation purposes or that receives funding  
 45 approved pursuant to section 1 of this act, subject to the approval of  
 46 the Joint Budget Oversight Committee or its successor. Any such  
 47 additional funding provided from a Green Acres bond act may  
 48 include administrative costs.





1 the acquisition by the State of lands for recreation and conservation  
2 purposes. This appropriation allocates funding for the acquisition  
3 by the State of lands, for recreation and conservation purposes,  
4 located throughout the State within the ten project categories  
5 identified in section 1 of the bill. The bill also appropriates \$10  
6 million to the DEP to provide funding for the acquisition by the  
7 State, for recreation and conservation purposes, of properties  
8 throughout the State that are prone to or have incurred flood or  
9 storm damage, or that may buffer or protect other lands from such  
10 damage, i.e., “Blue Acres” projects. In addition, the bill  
11 appropriates \$2,648,550 to the DEP for the purposes of paying  
12 administrative costs associated with administering the applicable  
13 provisions of the “Preserve New Jersey Act.”

14 The “Preserve New Jersey Green Acres Fund” was established  
15 by section 6 of the “Preserve New Jersey Act.” P.L.2019, c.136  
16 amended the “Preserve New Jersey Act” to incorporate the purposes  
17 of the “Preserve New Jersey Blue Acres Fund” into the “Preserve  
18 New Jersey Green Acres Fund,” rather than having two separate  
19 funds, both providing moneys to the DEP’s Green Acres program  
20 for the acquisition of lands for recreation and conservation  
21 purposes. Of the funding allocated for the acquisition of lands for  
22 recreation and conservation purposes by the State, a minimum of 10  
23 percent is to be allocated for Blue Acres projects.

24 The projects and appropriations listed in this bill have been  
25 approved by the DEP and the Garden State Preservation Trust.

26 Lastly, the bill authorizes the department to re-distribute certain  
27 other moneys made available by project cancellations or cost  
28 savings to provide additional funding, for recreation and  
29 conservation purposes, to previously approved and funded State  
30 projects, subject to the approval of the Joint Budget Oversight  
31 Committee. The bill provides that the additional funding, if  
32 provided from a Green Acres bond act, may include administrative  
33 costs.

# ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT TO

### ASSEMBLY, No. 4959

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 12, 2022

The Assembly Appropriations Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 4959.

This bill appropriates the sum of \$53,249,310 to the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to provide funding for the acquisition by the State of lands for recreation and conservation purposes, including for Blue Acres projects, pursuant to the “Preserve New Jersey Act,” P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-43 et seq.).

The funding in this bill is provided from constitutionally dedicated corporation business tax (CBT) revenues pursuant to Article VIII, Section II, paragraph 6 of the State Constitution, approved by the voters of the State in November 2014. The “Preserve New Jersey Act” implements the constitutional dedication of CBT revenues for open space, farmland, and historic preservation. The act provides that a certain amount of the portion of dedicated CBT revenues allocated each year for the Green Acres program is to be used for: the acquisition of lands for open space, including Blue Acres projects, and development projects on State lands administered by the DEP’s Division of Fish and Wildlife and Division of Parks and Forestry; grants and loans to fund local government open space acquisition and development projects; and grants to nonprofit entities to acquire or develop lands for recreation and conservation purposes. This bill appropriates moneys for State open space acquisition projects, including for Blue Acres projects.

Specifically, this bill appropriates \$40,600,760 to the DEP from the “Preserve New Jersey Green Acres Fund” to provide funding for the acquisition by the State of lands for recreation and conservation purposes. This appropriation allocates funding for the acquisition by the State of lands, for recreation and conservation purposes, located throughout the State within the ten project categories identified in section 1 of the bill. The bill also appropriates \$10 million to the DEP to provide funding for the acquisition by the State, for recreation and conservation purposes, of properties throughout the State that are prone to or have incurred flood or storm damage, or that may buffer or protect other lands from such damage, i.e., “Blue Acres” projects. In addition, the bill appropriates \$2,648,550 to the DEP for the purposes of paying administrative costs associated with administering the applicable provisions of the “Preserve New Jersey Act.”

The “Preserve New Jersey Green Acres Fund” was established by section 6 of the “Preserve New Jersey Act.” P.L.2019, c.136 amended the “Preserve New Jersey Act” to incorporate the purposes of the “Preserve New Jersey Blue Acres Fund” into the “Preserve New Jersey Green Acres Fund,” rather than having two separate funds, both providing moneys to the DEP’s Green Acres program for the acquisition of lands for recreation and conservation purposes. Of the funding allocated for the acquisition of lands for recreation and conservation purposes by the State, a minimum of 10 percent is to be allocated for Blue Acres projects.

The projects and appropriations listed in this bill have been approved by the DEP and the Garden State Preservation Trust.

Lastly, the bill authorizes the department to re-distribute certain other moneys made available by project cancellations or cost savings to provide additional funding, for recreation and conservation purposes, to previously approved and funded State projects, subject to the approval of the Joint Budget Oversight Committee. The bill provides that the additional funding, if provided from a Green Acres bond act, may include administrative costs.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

This bill has not been certified as requiring a fiscal note.

# SENATE, No. 3362

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 220th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED DECEMBER 1, 2022

**Sponsored by:**

**Senator LINDA R. GREENSTEIN**

**District 14 (Mercer and Middlesex)**

**Senator RICHARD J. CODEY**

**District 27 (Essex and Morris)**

**Co-Sponsored by:**

**Senators Stanfield, Gopal, Ruiz, Singleton, Turner, Zwicker and Pou**

**SYNOPSIS**

Appropriates \$53,249,310 from constitutionally dedicated CBT revenues to DEP for State acquisition of lands for recreation and conservation purposes, including Blue Acres projects, and Green Acres Program administrative costs.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 12/19/2022)**

1 AN ACT appropriating \$53,249,310 from constitutionally dedicated  
 2 corporation business tax revenues for the acquisition of lands by  
 3 the State for recreation and conservation purposes, including  
 4 Blue Acres projects, and certain administrative expenses.

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 6 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
 7 of New Jersey:

8  
 9 1. a. There is appropriated to the Department of  
 10 Environmental Protection the sum of \$40,600,760 from dedicated  
 11 corporation business tax revenues pursuant to Article VIII, Section  
 12 II, paragraph 6 of the State Constitution in the “Preserve New  
 13 Jersey Green Acres Fund,” established pursuant to section 6 of the  
 14 “Preserve New Jersey Act,” P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-48), for the  
 15 acquisition of lands by the State for recreation and conservation  
 16 purposes in accordance with the provisions of the “Preserve New  
 17 Jersey Act,” P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-43 et seq.). Of the amount  
 18 appropriated pursuant to this subsection, the sum of \$207,000 is  
 19 available due to interest earnings on the dedicated corporation  
 20 business tax revenues pursuant to Article VIII, Section II, paragraph  
 21 6 of the State Constitution.

22 b. The funds appropriated pursuant to subsection a. of this  
 23 section shall be allocated for the acquisition of lands within the  
 24 locations of the projects set forth in paragraphs (1) through (10) of  
 25 this subsection:

Project	County	Municipality
(1) CAPE MAY PENINSULA		
	Cape May	Cape May City Cape May Point Boro Dennis Twp Lower Twp Middle Twp Ocean City Sea Isle City Upper Twp West Cape May Boro Woodbine Boro
(2) CROSSROADS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION		
	Bergen	Bogota Boro Carlstadt Boro East Rutherford Boro Fort Lee Boro Garfield City Hackensack City Hasbrouck Heights Boro Leonora Boro Little Ferry Boro Lodi Boro Lyndhurst Twp

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1		Maywood Boro
2		Moonachie Boro
3		New Milford Boro
4		North Arlington Boro
5		Palisades Park Boro
6		Ridgefield Park Village
7		River Edge Boro
8		Rochelle Park Twp
9		Rutherford Boro
10		South Hackensack Twp
11		Teterboro Boro
12		Wallington Boro
13		Wood-Ridge Boro
14		
15	Burlington	Beverly City
16		Bordentown City
17		Bordentown Twp
18		Burlington City
19		Burlington Twp
20		Edgewater Park Twp
21		Fieldsboro Boro
22		Florence Twp
23		Hainesport Twp
24		Mansfield Twp
25		Maple Shade Twp
26		Moorestown Twp
27		Mount Holly Twp
28		Mount Laurel Twp
29		Palmyra Boro
30		Riverside Twp
31		Riverton Boro
32		Springfield Twp
33		Westampton Twp
34		Willingboro Twp
35		
36	Camden	Audubon Boro
37		Audubon Park Boro
38		Brooklawn Boro
39		Camden City
40		Cherry Hill Twp
41		Collingswood Boro
42		Gloucester City
43		Haddon Heights Boro
44		Haddon Twp
45		Haddonfield Boro
46		Merchantville Boro
47		Mount Ephraim Boro
48		Oaklyn Boro
49		Pennsauken Twp
50		Woodlynne Boro
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52	Essex	Belleville Twp
53		Irvington Twp
54		Livingston Twp
55		Maplewood Twp
56		Millburn Twp
57		Newark City
58		Nutley Twp

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2	Gloucester	National Park Boro
3		West Deptford Twp
4		Westville Boro
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6	Hunterdon	Delaware Twp
7		East Amwell Twp
8		Flemington Boro
9		Franklin Twp
10		Frenchtown Boro
11		Kingwood Twp
12		Lambertville City
13		Raritan Twp
14		Readington Twp
15		Stockton Boro
16		West Amwell Twp
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18	Mercer	All municipalities
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20	Middlesex	All municipalities
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22	Monmouth	Aberdeen Twp
23		Allentown Boro
24		Colts Neck Twp
25		Englishtown Boro
26		Freehold Boro
27		Freehold Twp
28		Holmdel Twp
29		Manalapan Twp
30		Marlboro Twp
31		Matawan Boro
32		Millstone Twp
33		Roosevelt Boro
34		Upper Freehold Twp
35		Wall Twp
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37	Morris	Boonton Town
38		Boonton Twp
39		Butler Boro
40		Chatham Boro
41		Chatham Twp
42		Chester Boro
43		Denville Twp
44		Dover Town
45		East Hanover Twp
46		Florham Park Boro
47		Hanover Twp
48		Harding Twp
49		Kinnelon Boro
50		Lincoln Park Boro
51		Long Hill Twp
52		Madison Boro
53		Mendham Boro
54		Mendham Twp
55		Mine Hill Twp
56		Montville Twp
57		Morris Plains Boro
58		Morris Twp

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1		Morristown Town
2		Mountain Lakes Boro
3		Parsippany-Troy Hills Twp
4		Pequannock Twp
5		Randolph Twp
6		Riverdale Boro
7		Rockaway Boro
8		Rockaway Twp
9		Victory Gardens Boro
10		Wharton Boro
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12	Passaic	Clifton City
13		Passaic City
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15	Somerset	All municipalities
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17	Union	All municipalities
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19	(3) DELAWARE AND RARITAN CANAL GREENWAY	
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21	Hunterdon	Delaware Twp
22		Kingwood Twp
23		Lambertville City
24		Stockton Boro
25		West Amwell Twp
26		
27	Mercer	Ewing Twp
28		Hamilton Twp
29		Hopewell Twp
30		Lawrence Twp
31		Princeton Boro
32		Trenton City
33		
34	Middlesex	New Brunswick City
35		Plainsboro Twp
36		South Brunswick Twp
37		
38	Somerset	Franklin Twp
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40	(4) DELAWARE BAY WATERSHED GREENWAY	
41		
42	Atlantic	Buena Boro
43		Buena Vista Twp
44		
45	Cape May	Dennis Twp
46		Lower Twp
47		Middle Twp
48		Upper Twp
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50	Cumberland	All municipalities
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52	Gloucester	Clayton Boro
53		Elk Twp
54		Franklin Twp
55		Glassboro Boro
56		Monroe Twp
57		Newfield Boro
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1	Salem	Alloway Twp
2		Carneys Point Twp
3		Elmer Boro
4		Elsinboro Twp
5		Lower Alloways Creek Twp
6		Mannington Twp
7		Oldmans Twp
8		Pennsville Twp
9		Pilesgrove Twp
10		Pittsgrove Twp
11		Quinton Twp
12		Upper Pittsgrove Twp
13		Woodstown Boro

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15 (5) DELAWARE RIVER WATERSHED GREENWAY

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17	Burlington	Bordentown City
18		Bordentown Twp
19		Chesterfield Twp
20		Cinnaminson Twp
21		Delanco Twp
22		Delran Twp
23		Eastampton Twp
24		Hainesport Twp
25		Lumberton Twp
26		Mansfield Twp
27		Medford Twp
28		Moorestown Twp
29		Mount Holly Twp
30		Mount Laurel Twp
31		North Hanover Twp
32		Pemberton Twp
33		Riverside Twp
34		Southampton Twp
35		Springfield Twp
36		Westhampton Twp
37		Willingboro Twp

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39	Camden	Berlin Twp
40		Camden City
41		Clementon Boro
42		Gibbsboro Boro
43		Gloucester Twp
44		Haddon Twp
45		Lindenwold Boro
46		Pine Hill Boro
47		Voorhees Twp

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49	Gloucester	Deptford Twp
50		East Greenwich Twp
51		Elk Twp
52		Greenwich Twp
53		Harrison Twp
54		Logan Twp
55		National Park Boro
56		South Harrison Twp
57		Westville Boro
58		Woolwich Twp

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1		West Deptford Twp
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3	Hunterdon	Alexandria Twp
4		Delaware Twp
5		Frenchtown Boro
6		Kingwood Twp
7		Lambertville City
8		Stockton Boro
9		West Amwell Twp
10		
11	Mercer	Ewing Twp
12		Hamilton Twp
13		Hopewell Twp
14		Robbinsville Twp
15		Trenton City
16		
17	Monmouth	Allentown Boro
18		Millstone Twp
19		Upper Freehold Twp
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21	Ocean	Jackson Twp
22		Plumsted Twp
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24	Salem	Oldmans Twp
25		Pilesgrove Twp
26		Upper Pittsgrove Twp
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28	(6) HIGHLANDS GREENWAY	
29		
30	Bergen	Mahwah Twp
31		Oakland Boro
32		
33	Hunterdon	Alexandria Twp
34		Bethlehem Twp
35		Bloomsbury Boro
36		Califon Boro
37		Clinton Town
38		Clinton Twp
39		Glen Gardner Boro
40		Hampton Boro
41		High Bridge Boro
42		Holland Twp
43		Lebanon Boro
44		Lebanon Twp
45		Milford Boro
46		Tewksbury Twp
47		Union Twp
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49	Morris	Boonton Town
50		Boonton Twp
51		Butler Boro
52		Chester Boro
53		Chester Twp
54		Denville Twp
55		Dover Town
56		Hanover Twp
57		Harding Twp
58		Jefferson Twp

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1		Kinnelon Boro
2		Mendham Boro
3		Mendham Twp
4		Mine Hill Twp
5		Montville Twp
6		Morris Plains Boro
7		Morris Twp
8		Morristown Town
9		Mount Arlington Boro
10		Mount Olive Twp
11		Mountain Lakes Boro
12		Netcong Boro
13		Parsippany-Troy Hills Twp
14		Pequannock Twp
15		Randolph Twp
16		Riverdale Boro
17		Rockaway Boro
18		Rockaway Twp
19		Roxbury Twp
20		Victory Gardens Boro
21		Washington Twp
22		Wharton Boro
23		
24	Passaic	Bloomington Boro
25		Pompton Lakes Boro
26		Ringwood Boro
27		Wanaque Boro
28		West Milford Twp
29		
30	Somerset	Bedminster Twp
31		Bernards Twp
32		Bernardsville Boro
33		Far Hills Boro
34		Peapack-Gladstone Boro
35		
36	Sussex	Byram Twp
37		Franklin Boro
38		Green Twp
39		Hamburg Boro
40		Hardyston Twp
41		Hopatcong Boro
42		Ogdensburg Boro
43		Sparta Twp
44		Stanhope Boro
45		Vernon Twp
46		
47	Warren	Allamuchy Twp
48		Alpha Boro
49		Belvidere Town
50		Franklin Twp
51		Frelinghuysen Twp
52		Greenwich Twp
53		Hackettstown Town
54		Harmony Twp
55		Hope Twp
56		Independence Twp
57		Liberty Twp
58		Lopatcong Twp

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1		Mansfield Twp
2		Oxford Twp
3		Phillipsburg Town
4		Pohatcong Twp
5		Washington Boro
6		Washington Twp
7		White Twp
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9	(7) HISTORIC RESOURCES	
10		
11	<i>Allaire State Park</i>	
12		
13	Monmouth	Howell Twp
14		Wall Twp
15		
16	<i>Fort Mott Officers Quarters</i>	
17		
18	Salem	Pennsville Twp
19		
20	<i>Griggstown Muletenders Barracks</i>	
21		
22	Somerset	Franklin Twp
23		
24	<i>Historic Sites</i>	
25		
26	Burlington	Medford Twp
27		
28	Monmouth	Red Bank Boro
29		
30	<i>Monmouth Battlefield</i>	
31		
32	Monmouth	Freehold Twp
33		Manalapan Twp
34		
35	<i>New Bridge Landing</i>	
36		
37	Bergen	New Milford Boro
38		River Edge Boro
39		
40	<i>Princeton Battlefield</i>	
41		
42	Mercer	Princeton Boro
43		
44	<i>Proprietary House</i>	
45		
46	Middlesex	Perth Amboy City
47		
48	<i>Register Eligible Sites</i>	
49		
50	Somerset	Green Brook Twp
51		Watchung Boro
52		
53	<i>Rockingham Farmstead</i>	
54		
55	Somerset	Franklin Twp
56		

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1	<i>Twin Lights</i>		
2			
3		Monmouth	Highlands Boro
4			
5	<i>Washington Crossing State Park</i>		
6			
7		Mercer	Ewing Twp
8			Hopewell Twp
9			
10	<i>Waterloo Village</i>		
11			
12		Sussex	Byram Twp
13			Stanhope Boro
14			
15	(8) PINELANDS		
16			
17		Atlantic	Brigantine City
18			Buena Boro
19			Buena Vista Twp
20			Corbin City
21			Egg Harbor City
22			Egg Harbor Twp
23			Estell Manor City
24			Folsom Boro
25			Galloway Twp
26			Hamilton Twp
27			Hammonton Town
28			Mullica Twp
29			Port Republic City
30			Weymouth Twp
31			
32		Burlington	Bass River Twp
33			Evesham Twp
34			Medford Lakes Boro
35			Medford Twp
36			New Hanover Twp
37			North Hanover Twp
38			Pemberton Twp
39			Shamong Twp
40			Southampton Twp
41			Springfield Twp
42			Tabernacle Twp
43			Washington Twp
44			Woodland Twp
45			Wrightstown Boro
46			
47		Camden	Berlin Boro
48			Berlin Twp
49			Chesilhurst Boro
50			Waterford Twp
51			Winslow Twp
52			
53		Cape May	Dennis Twp
54			Middle Twp
55			Upper Twp
56			Woodbine Boro
57			

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1	Cumberland	Maurice River Twp
2		Vineland City
3		
4	Gloucester	Franklin Twp
5		Monroe Twp
6		
7	Ocean	Barneget Twp
8		Beachwood Boro
9		Berkeley Twp
10		Eagleswood Twp
11		Jackson Twp
12		Lacey Twp
13		Lakehurst Boro
14		Little Egg Harbor Twp
15		Manchester Twp
16		Ocean Twp
17		Plumsted Twp
18		South Toms River Boro
19		Stafford Twp
20		Toms River Twp
21		Tuckerton Boro
22		

(9) RIDGE AND VALLEY GREENWAY

23		
24		
25	Sussex	Andover Boro
26		Andover Twp
27		Branchville Boro
28		Frankford Twp
29		Fredon Twp
30		Green Twp
31		Hampton Twp
32		Lafayette Twp
33		Montague Twp
34		Newton Town
35		Sandyston Twp
36		Stillwater Twp
37		Sussex Boro
38		Walpack Twp
39		Wantage Twp
40		
41	Warren	Blairstown Twp
42		Frelinghuysen Twp
43		Hackettstown Town
44		Hardwick Twp
45		Hope Twp
46		Knowlton Twp
47		Liberty Twp
48		

(10) URBAN PARKS

49		
50		
51	Bergen	Edgewater Boro
52		
53	Camden	Camden City
54		
55	Essex	Belleville Twp
56		Bloomfield Twp
57		Caldwell Boro
58		Cedar Grove Twp

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1		East Orange City
2		Glen Ridge Boro
3		Irvington Twp
4		Maplewood Twp
5		Montclair Twp
6		Newark City
7		Nutley Twp
8		Orange City Twp
9		South Orange Village Twp
10		West Orange Twp
11		
12	Hudson	All municipalities
13		
14	Mercer	Trenton City
15		
16	Middlesex	Edison Twp
17		
18	Monmouth	Long Branch City
19		
20	Passaic	Paterson City
21		Totowa Boro
22		
23	Union	Elizabeth City
24		Fanwood Boro
25		Garwood Boro
26		Hillside Twp
27		Linden City
28		Plainfield City
29		Rahway City
30		Roselle Boro
31		Roselle Park Boro
32		Union Twp
33		Winfield Twp
34		
35	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$40,600,760</b>
36		

37 c. The expenditure of funds appropriated pursuant to  
 38 subsection a. of this section for any project listed in subsection b. of  
 39 this section shall not require the approval of the Joint Budget  
 40 Oversight Committee, or its successor.

41 d. To the extent that moneys remain available after the projects  
 42 listed in subsection b. of this section are offered funding pursuant  
 43 thereto, any State project that previously received funding  
 44 appropriated or reappropriated from any Green Acres bond act, any  
 45 annual appropriations act, the Garden State Green Acres  
 46 Preservation Trust Fund, established pursuant to the "Garden State  
 47 Preservation Trust Act," P.L.1999, c.152 (C.13:8C-1 et seq.), or the  
 48 "Preserve New Jersey Green Acres Fund," established pursuant to  
 49 section 6 of the "Preserve New Jersey Act," P.L.2016, c.12  
 50 (C.13:8C-48), for recreation and conservation purposes shall be  
 51 eligible to receive additional funding, as determined by the  
 52 Department of Environmental Protection, subject to the approval of  
 53 the Joint Budget Oversight Committee or its successor.

1 For the purposes of this subsection, “Green Acres bond act”  
 2 means P.L.2009, c.117, P.L.2007, c.119, P.L.1995, c.204, P.L.1992,  
 3 c.88, and P.L.1989, c.183.

4  
 5 2. a. There is appropriated to the Department of  
 6 Environmental Protection the sum of \$10 million from dedicated  
 7 corporation business tax revenues pursuant to Article VIII, Section  
 8 II, paragraph 6 of the State Constitution in the “Preserve New  
 9 Jersey Green Acres Fund,” established pursuant to section 6 of the  
 10 “Preserve New Jersey Act,” P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-48), for the  
 11 acquisition, for recreation and conservation purposes, of lands  
 12 throughout the State that have been damaged by, or may be prone to  
 13 incurring damage caused by, storms or storm-related flooding, or  
 14 that may buffer or protect other lands from such damage. Of the  
 15 amount appropriated pursuant to this subsection, the sum of  
 16 \$71,000 is available due to interest earnings on the dedicated  
 17 corporation business tax revenues pursuant to Article VIII, Section  
 18 II, paragraph 6 of the State Constitution.

19 b. The funds appropriated pursuant to subsection a. of this  
 20 section shall be allocated as follows:

21

22 <b>Project</b>	23 <b>County</b>	24 <b>Municipality</b>	25 <b>Amount</b>
26 BLUE ACRES			\$10,000,000
	Every county	Every municipality	
28 <b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$10,000,000</b>

29

30 c. The expenditure of moneys appropriated pursuant to this  
 31 section is subject to the provisions of the “Preserve New Jersey  
 32 Act,” P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-43 et seq.).

33  
 34 3. a. There is reappropriated to the Department of  
 35 Environmental Protection the unexpended balances, due to project  
 36 cancellations or cost savings, of the amounts appropriated or  
 37 reappropriated from this act, any Green Acres bond act, any annual  
 38 appropriations act, the Garden State Green Acres Preservation Trust  
 39 Fund, established pursuant to the “Garden State Preservation Trust  
 40 Act,” P.L.1999, c.152 (C.13:8C-1 et seq.), or the “Preserve New  
 41 Jersey Green Acres Fund,” established pursuant to section 6 of the  
 42 “Preserve New Jersey Act,” P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-48), for State  
 43 projects to acquire or develop lands for recreation and conservation  
 44 purposes, for the purpose of providing additional funding, as  
 45 determined by the Department of Environmental Protection, to any  
 46 State project that previously received funding appropriated or  
 47 reappropriated from any Green Acres bond act, any annual  
 48 appropriations act, the Garden State Green Acres Preservation Trust  
 49 Fund, or the “Preserve New Jersey Green Acres Fund” for



1 recreation and conservation purposes or that receives funding  
2 approved pursuant to section 1 of this act, subject to the approval of  
3 the Joint Budget Oversight Committee or its successor. Any such  
4 additional funding provided from a Green Acres bond act may  
5 include administrative costs.

6 b. For the purposes of this section, "Green Acres bond act"  
7 means P.L.2009, c.117, P.L.2007, c.119, P.L.1995, c.204, P.L.1992,  
8 c.88, and P.L.1989, c.183.

9  
10 4. There is appropriated to the Department of Environmental  
11 Protection the sum of \$2,648,550 from dedicated corporation  
12 business tax revenues pursuant to Article VIII, Section II, paragraph  
13 6 of the State Constitution in the "Preserve New Jersey Green Acres  
14 Fund," established pursuant to section 6 of the "Preserve New  
15 Jersey Act," P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-48), for paying administrative  
16 costs associated with administering the applicable provisions of  
17 P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-43 et seq.).

18  
19 5. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the  
20 "Preserve New Jersey Green Acres Fund," established pursuant to  
21 section 6 of the "Preserve New Jersey Act," P.L.2016, c.12  
22 (C.13:8C-48), the sum of \$53,249,310 to implement the provisions  
23 of this act.

24  
25 6. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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30 This bill appropriates the sum of \$53,249,310 to the Department  
31 of Environmental Protection (DEP) to provide funding for the  
32 acquisition by the State of lands for recreation and conservation  
33 purposes, including for Blue Acres projects, pursuant to the  
34 "Preserve New Jersey Act," P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-43 et seq.).

35 The funding in this bill is provided from constitutionally  
36 dedicated corporation business tax (CBT) revenues pursuant to  
37 Article VIII, Section II, paragraph 6 of the State Constitution,  
38 approved by the voters of the State in November 2014. The  
39 "Preserve New Jersey Act" implements the constitutional  
40 dedication of CBT revenues for open space, farmland, and historic  
41 preservation. The act provides that a certain amount of the portion  
42 of dedicated CBT revenues allocated each year for the Green Acres  
43 program is to be used for: the acquisition of lands for open space,  
44 including Blue Acres projects, and development projects on State  
45 lands administered by the DEP's Division of Fish and Wildlife and  
46 Division of Parks and Forestry; grants and loans to fund local  
47 government open space acquisition and development projects; and  
48 grants to nonprofit entities to acquire or develop lands for

1 recreation and conservation purposes. This bill appropriates  
2 moneys for State open space acquisition projects, including for Blue  
3 Acres projects.

4 Specifically, this bill appropriates \$40,600,760 to the DEP from  
5 the “Preserve New Jersey Green Acres Fund” to provide funding for  
6 the acquisition by the State of lands for recreation and conservation  
7 purposes. This appropriation allocates funding for the acquisition  
8 by the State of lands, for recreation and conservation purposes,  
9 located throughout the State within the ten project categories  
10 identified in section 1 of the bill. The bill also appropriates \$10  
11 million to the DEP to provide funding for the acquisition by the  
12 State, for recreation and conservation purposes, of properties  
13 throughout the State that are prone to or have incurred flood or  
14 storm damage, or that may buffer or protect other lands from such  
15 damage, i.e., “Blue Acres” projects. In addition, the bill  
16 appropriates \$2,648,550 to the DEP for the purposes of paying  
17 administrative costs associated with administering the applicable  
18 provisions of the “Preserve New Jersey Act.”

19 The “Preserve New Jersey Green Acres Fund” was established  
20 by section 6 of the “Preserve New Jersey Act.” P.L.2019, c.136  
21 amended the “Preserve New Jersey Act” to incorporate the purposes  
22 of the “Preserve New Jersey Blue Acres Fund” into the “Preserve  
23 New Jersey Green Acres Fund,” rather than having two separate  
24 funds, both providing moneys to the DEP’s Green Acres program  
25 for the acquisition of lands for recreation and conservation  
26 purposes. Of the funding allocated for the acquisition of lands for  
27 recreation and conservation purposes by the State, a minimum of 10  
28 percent is to be allocated for Blue Acres projects.

29 The projects and appropriations listed in this bill have been  
30 approved by the DEP and the Garden State Preservation Trust.

31 Lastly, the bill authorizes the department to re-distribute certain  
32 other moneys made available by project cancellations or cost  
33 savings to provide additional funding, for recreation and  
34 conservation purposes, to previously approved and funded State  
35 projects, subject to the approval of the Joint Budget Oversight  
36 Committee. The bill provides that the additional funding, if  
37 provided from a Green Acres bond act, may include administrative  
38 costs.

# SENATE ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT TO

### SENATE, No. 3362

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 15, 2022

The Senate Environment and Energy Committee favorably reports Senate Bill No. 3362.

This bill appropriates the sum of \$53,249,310 to the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to provide funding for the acquisition by the State of lands for recreation and conservation purposes, including for Blue Acres projects, pursuant to the “Preserve New Jersey Act,” P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-43 et seq.).

The funding in this bill is provided from constitutionally dedicated corporation business tax (CBT) revenues pursuant to Article VIII, Section II, paragraph 6 of the State Constitution, approved by the voters of the State in November 2014. The “Preserve New Jersey Act” implements the constitutional dedication of CBT revenues for open space, farmland, and historic preservation. The act provides that a certain amount of the portion of dedicated CBT revenues allocated each year for the Green Acres program is to be used for: the acquisition of lands for open space, including Blue Acres projects, and development projects on State lands administered by the DEP’s Division of Fish and Wildlife and Division of Parks and Forestry; grants and loans to fund local government open space acquisition and development projects; and grants to nonprofit entities to acquire or develop lands for recreation and conservation purposes. This bill appropriates moneys for State open space acquisition projects, including for Blue Acres projects.

Specifically, this bill appropriates \$40,600,760 to the DEP from the “Preserve New Jersey Green Acres Fund” to provide funding for the acquisition by the State of lands for recreation and conservation purposes. This appropriation allocates funding for the acquisition by the State of lands, for recreation and conservation purposes, located throughout the State within the ten project categories identified in section 1 of the bill. The bill also appropriates \$10 million to the DEP to provide funding for the acquisition by the State, for recreation and conservation purposes, of properties throughout the State that are prone to or have incurred flood or storm damage, or that may buffer or protect other lands from such damage, i.e., “Blue Acres” projects. In addition, the bill appropriates \$2,648,550 to the DEP for the purposes of paying administrative costs associated with administering the applicable provisions of the “Preserve New Jersey Act.”

The “Preserve New Jersey Green Acres Fund” was established by section 6 of the “Preserve New Jersey Act.” P.L.2019, c.136 amended the “Preserve New Jersey Act” to incorporate the purposes of the “Preserve New Jersey Blue Acres Fund” into the “Preserve New Jersey Green Acres Fund,” rather than having two separate funds, both providing moneys to the DEP’s Green Acres program for the acquisition of lands for recreation and conservation purposes. Of the funding allocated for the acquisition of lands for recreation and conservation purposes by the State, a minimum of 10 percent is to be allocated for Blue Acres projects.

The projects and appropriations listed in this bill have been approved by the DEP and the Garden State Preservation Trust.

Lastly, the bill authorizes the department to re-distribute certain other moneys made available by project cancellations or cost savings to provide additional funding, for recreation and conservation purposes, to previously approved and funded State projects, subject to the approval of the Joint Budget Oversight Committee. The bill provides that the additional funding, if provided from a Green Acres bond act, may include administrative costs.

# Governor Murphy Takes Action on Legislation

12/22/2022

**TRENTON** – Today, Governor Murphy signed the following bills into law:

**S-3241/A-4918 (Vitale, Gopal/Conaway, Jaffer, Lampitt)** - Extends temporary waiver of certain basic life support services and specialty care transport unit crewmember requirements

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**A-4295/S-2876 (Jaffer, Mosquera, Swain/Singleton)** - Adapts new federal partnership audit regime under gross income tax, ends COVID-related State tax extensions, and eliminates requirement to affirmatively elect New Jersey S Corporation status

**A-4929/S-3379 (Pintor Marin, Greenwald, Atkins/Ruiz, Pou)** - Concerns accommodations related to COVID-19 public health emergency for businesses participating in certain State economic development programs

**A-4957/S-3361 (Jaffer, Kennedy, Caputo/Smith, Stanfield)** - Appropriates \$64.929 million from constitutionally dedicated CBT revenues for recreation and conservation purposes to DEP for State capital and park development projects

**A-4958/S-3342 (Chaparro, Lampitt, Freiman/Beach, Turner)** - Appropriates \$17,288,315 from constitutionally dedicated CBT revenues to NJ Historic Trust for grants for certain historic preservation projects and associated administrative expenses

**A-4959/S-3362 (Spearman, Reynolds-Jackson, Wimberly/Greenstein, Codey)** - Appropriates \$53,249,310 from constitutionally dedicated CBT revenues to DEP for State acquisition of lands for recreation and conservation purposes, including Blue Acres projects, and Green Acres Program administrative cost