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SPONSOR(S) Gusciora and Others

DATE INTRODUCED: May 11, 2009

COMMITTEE: **ASSEMBLY:** Transportation, Public Works and Independent Authorities

SENATE: ---

AMENDED DURING PASSAGE: Yes

DATE OF PASSAGE: **ASSEMBLY:** January 11, 2010

SENATE: January 11, 2010

DATE OF APPROVAL: January 16, 2010

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A3930

SPONSOR'S STATEMENT: (Begins on page 5 of introduced bill)	Yes
COMMITTEE STATEMENT:	ASSEMBLY: Yes
	SENATE: No

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FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT:	No
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE:	No

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COMMITTEE STATEMENT:	ASSEMBLY: No
	SENATE: Yes
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ASSEMBLY, No. 3930

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
213th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED MAY 11, 2009

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman REED GUSCIORA

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District 37 (Bergen)

Co-Sponsored by:

Assemblyman Diegnan, Assemblywomen Wagner, Riley, Senators Turner, Gordon, Baroni and Van Drew

SYNOPSIS

Establishes the “New Jersey Scenic and Historic Highways Program.”

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Transportation, Public Works and Independent Authorities Committee on January 4, 2010, with amendments.

(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 1/12/2010)

1 AN ACT establishing the “New Jersey Scenic and Historic
2 Highways Program,” and supplementing Title 27 of the Revised
3 Statutes.

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

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8 1. The Legislature finds and declares that:

9 a. Certain portions of the State highway system are notable for
10 their scenic, historic, recreational, cultural, and archaeological value
11 and are worthy of official designation as scenic and historic
12 highways to provide special consideration of their unique features
13 and special role in the highway system;

14 b. The public interest would be served by the creation of a
15 coordinated scenic and historic highways program to enhance
16 recreation, preserve and protect scenic, historic, recreational,
17 cultural, and archaeological resources, encourage economic
18 development through tourism, and educate the public about the
19 history and culture of this State;

20 c. New Jersey lags behind other states around the country in
21 terms of preserving roadways which have scenic, historic, and other
22 intrinsic qualities; and

23 d. It is altogether to fitting and proper for the Legislature to
24 establish a “New Jersey Scenic and Historic Highways Program” in
25 the Department of Transportation which will encourage the
26 promotion and preservation of the scenic, historic, recreational,
27 cultural, and archaeological qualities of certain roadways, and areas
28 surrounding such roadways, throughout the State.

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30 2. As used in this act:

31 “Commissioner” means the Commissioner of Transportation.

32 “Department” means the Department of Transportation.

33 “Program” means the New Jersey Scenic and Historic Highways
34 Program established by section 3 of P.L. ,c. (C.) (pending
35 before the Legislature as this bill).

36 “Public entity” means the State, any county, municipality,
37 district, public authority, public agency, and any other political
38 subdivision or public body in the State.

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40 3. a. There is hereby established a **‘[“Scenic] “New Jersey**
41 **Scenic**¹ and Historic Highways Program” to be administered by the
42 commissioner in accordance with the provisions of this act. The
43 program is established to encourage the State and counties and
44 municipalities throughout the State to preserve the unique and

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.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Assembly ATR committee amendments adopted January 4, 2010.

1 intrinsic qualities of roadways deemed to have scenic, historic,
2 recreational, cultural, or archaeological value.

3 b. Any roadway in this State, including the surrounding area
4 thereof, which has scenic, historic, recreational, cultural, or
5 archaeological value may be designated through an act of the
6 Legislature for inclusion in the program.

7 c. Once a roadway has been designated for inclusion in the
8 program, the department and all other public entities with
9 jurisdiction over the roadway or the surrounding area are
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11 recreational, cultural, or archaeological qualities, or any
12 combination of the foregoing, that served as the basis for the
13 roadway's inclusion in the program. The department and public
14 entities with jurisdiction over a roadway which has been included in
15 the program are encouraged **'[to]'** not **'to'** make any physical
16 changes to the roadway, or its surrounding area, that would degrade
17 any of its scenic, historic, recreational, cultural, or archaeological
18 qualities. The preservation and promotion of a roadway that has
19 been designated for inclusion in the program shall include, but not
20 be limited to, the following activities:

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22 that such improvements are necessary to accommodate increased
23 traffic and changes in the types of vehicles using the roadway due
24 to its inclusion in the program;

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26 improvements, passing lanes, overlooks, interpretive facilities, and
27 other facilities for use by pedestrians and bicyclists along the
28 roadway;

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30 **'[recreations] recreational'** areas in the vicinity of the roadway;

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32 archaeological resources in areas adjacent to the roadway; and

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34 including interpretive information about the program and the
35 specific roadways that have been designated for inclusion in the
36 program.

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38 4. The following roadways are designated for inclusion in the
39 New Jersey Scenic and Historic Highways Program:

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41 of the entire length of Quaker Road beginning at the road's
42 intersection with Province Line Road in the township of Princeton,
43 county of Mercer, extending in a general northerly direction, and
44 ending at the intersection of Quaker Road and Lawrenceville Road
45 in the township of Princeton, county of Mercer;

46 b. "Closter Dock Road Scenic and Historic Highway," which
47 consists of the entire length of Closter Dock Road beginning at the
48 road's intersection with Harrington Avenue in the borough of

1 Closter, county of Bergen, extending in a general easterly direction,
2 and ending at the intersection of Closter Dock Road and U.S. Route
3 9W in the borough of Alpine, county of Bergen;

4 c. “Huyler’s Landing Road Scenic and Historic Highway,”
5 which consists of the entire length of ‘[Huyler] Huyler’s’ Landing
6 Road beginning at the road’s intersection with East Madison
7 Avenue in the borough of Cresskill, county of Bergen, extending in
8 a general easterly direction, and ending at the intersection of
9 ‘[Huyler] Huyler’s’ Landing Road and Vaccaro Drive in the
10 borough of Cresskill, county of Bergen;

11 d. “Kinderkamack ‘Road’ Scenic and Historic Highway,”
12 which consists of the entire length of roadway beginning at the
13 road’s intersection with Johnson Avenue in the city of Hackensack,
14 county of Bergen, extending in a general northerly direction and
15 becoming North Kinderkamack Road, continuing in a general
16 northerly direction, and ending at the New York state line in the
17 vicinity of the borough of Montvale, county of Bergen;

18 e. “Franklin Avenue Scenic and Historic Highway,” which
19 consists of the entire length of Franklin Avenue beginning at the
20 road’s intersection with Ramapo Valley Road in the borough of
21 Oakland, county of Bergen, extending in a general easterly
22 direction, and ending at the intersection of Franklin Avenue and
23 Van Blarcom Lane in the township of Wyckoff, county of Bergen;

24 f. “Dunkerhook Road Scenic and Historic Highway,” which
25 consists of the entire length of Dunkerhook Road beginning at the
26 road’s intersection with Saddle River Road in the borough of Fair
27 Lawn, county of Bergen, extending in a general northeasterly
28 direction, and ending at the intersection of Dunkerhook Road and
29 Paramus Road in the borough of Paramus, county of Bergen;

30 g. “Piermont and Rockleigh Roads Scenic and Historic
31 Highway,” which consists of the following portions of roadway:

32 (1) The entire length of Piermont Road beginning at the road’s
33 intersection with County Road and East Clinton Avenue in the
34 borough of Tenafly, county of Bergen, extending in a general
35 northerly direction, and ending at the New York state line in the
36 vicinity of the borough of Northvale, county of Bergen, and

37 (2) The entire length of Rockleigh Road beginning at the road’s
38 intersection with Piermont Road in the borough of Northvale,
39 county of Bergen, extending in a general northerly direction, and
40 ending at the New York state line in the vicinity of the borough of
41 Rockleigh, county of Bergen; and

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43 consists of the entire length of Grand Avenue beginning at the
44 road’s intersection with East Palisade Avenue in the city of
45 Englewood, Bergen County, extending in a general southerly
46 direction, and ending at the intersection of Grand Avenue and
47 Broad Avenue in the borough of Ridgefield, Bergen County.

1 5. The department or any other public entity with jurisdiction
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STATEMENT

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9 This bill establishes the “New Jersey Scenic and Historic
10 Highways Program” to be administered by the Commissioner of
11 Transportation. The purpose of the program is to encourage the
12 State and counties and municipalities throughout the State to
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14 have scenic and historic value.

15 The bill allows the Legislature, through the passage of
16 legislation, to designate roadways in this State for inclusion in the
17 program. Once a roadway has been designated for inclusion in the
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19 with jurisdiction over the roadway or the surrounding area are
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43 included in the program.

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ASSEMBLY TRANSPORTATION, PUBLIC WORKS AND
INDEPENDENT AUTHORITIES COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 3930

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JANUARY 4, 2010

The Assembly Transportation, Public Works and Independent Authorities Committee reports favorably and with amendments Assembly Bill No. 3930.

As reported, this amended bill would establish the “New Jersey Scenic and Historic Highways Program” to be administered by the Commissioner of Transportation. The purpose of the program is to encourage the State and counties and municipalities throughout the State to preserve the unique and intrinsic qualities of roadways deemed to have scenic and historic value.

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

The committee amended the bill to correct typographical and editorial errors.

SENATE, No. 3048

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INTRODUCED DECEMBER 3, 2009

Sponsored by:

Senator SHIRLEY K. TURNER

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36 a. "Quaker Road Scenic and Historic Highway," which consists
37 of the entire length of Quaker Road beginning at the road's
38 intersection with Province Line Road in the township of Princeton,
39 county of Mercer, extending in a general northerly direction, and
40 ending at the intersection of Quaker Road and Lawrenceville Road
41 in the township of Princeton, county of Mercer;

42 b. "Closter Dock Road Scenic and Historic Highway," which
43 consists of the entire length of Closter Dock Road beginning at the
44 road's intersection with Harrington Avenue in the borough of
45 Closter, county of Bergen, extending in a general easterly direction,
46 and ending at the intersection of Closter Dock Road and U.S. Route
47 9W in the borough of Alpine, county of Bergen;

- 1 c. "Huyler's Landing Road Scenic and Historic Highway,"
2 which consists of the entire length of Huyler Landing Road
3 beginning at the road's intersection with East Madison Avenue in
4 the borough of Cresskill, county of Bergen, extending in a general
5 easterly direction, and ending at the intersection of Huyler Landing
6 Road and Vaccaro Drive in the borough of Cresskill, county of
7 Bergen;
- 8 d. "Kinderkamack Scenic and Historic Highway," which
9 consists of the entire length of roadway beginning at the road's
10 intersection with Johnson Avenue in the city of Hackensack, county
11 of Bergen, extending in a general northerly direction and becoming
12 North Kinderkamack Road, continuing in a general northerly
13 direction, and ending at the New York state line in the vicinity of
14 the borough of Montvale, county of Bergen;
- 15 e. "Franklin Avenue Scenic and Historic Highway," which
16 consists of the entire length of Franklin Avenue beginning at the
17 road's intersection with Ramapo Valley Road in the borough of
18 Oakland, county of Bergen, extending in a general easterly
19 direction, and ending at the intersection of Franklin Avenue and
20 Van Blarcom Lane in the township of Wyckoff, county of Bergen;
- 21 f. "Dunkerhook Road Scenic and Historic Highway," which
22 consists of the entire length of Dunkerhook Road beginning at the
23 road's intersection with Saddle River Road in the borough of Fair
24 Lawn, county of Bergen, extending in a general northeasterly
25 direction, and ending at the intersection of Dunkerhook Road and
26 Paramus Road in the borough of Paramus, county of Bergen;
- 27 g. "Piermont and Rockleigh Roads Scenic and Historic
28 Highway," which consists of the following portions of roadway:
- 29 (1) The entire length of Piermont Road beginning at the road's
30 intersection with County Road and East Clinton Avenue in the
31 borough of Tenafly, county of Bergen, extending in a general
32 northerly direction, and ending at the New York state line in the
33 vicinity of the borough of Northvale, county of Bergen, and
- 34 (2) The entire length of Rockleigh Road beginning at the road's
35 intersection with Piermont Road in the borough of Northvale,
36 county of Bergen, extending in a general northerly direction, and
37 ending at the New York state line in the vicinity of the borough of
38 Rockleigh, county of Bergen; and
- 39 h. "Grand Avenue Scenic and Historic Highway," which
40 consists of the entire length of Grand Avenue beginning at the
41 road's intersection with East Palisade Avenue in the city of
42 Englewood, Bergen County, extending in a general southerly
43 direction, and ending at the intersection of Grand Avenue and
44 Broad Avenue in the borough of Ridgefield, Bergen County.
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- 46 5. The department or any other public entity with jurisdiction
47 over a roadway which has been designated for inclusion in the

1 program may erect signs along the roadway indicating that it has
2 been granted such a designation.

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4 6. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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9 This bill establishes the “New Jersey Scenic and Historic
10 Highways Program” to be administered by the Commissioner of
11 Transportation. The purpose of the program is to encourage the
12 State and counties and municipalities throughout the State to
13 preserve the unique and intrinsic qualities of roadways deemed to
14 have scenic and historic value.

15 The bill allows the Legislature, through the passage of
16 legislation, to designate roadways in this State for inclusion in the
17 program. Once a roadway has been designated for inclusion in the
18 program, the Department of Transportation and all other entities
19 with jurisdiction over the roadway or the surrounding area are
20 encouraged to preserve and promote the scenic, historic,
21 recreational, cultural, or archaeological qualities, or any
22 combination of the foregoing, that served as the basis for the
23 roadway’s inclusion in the program.

24 The department and other public entities with jurisdiction over
25 the roadway, or its surrounding area, are encouraged to not make
26 any physical changes to the roadway, or its surrounding area, that
27 would degrade any of its scenic, historic, recreational, cultural, or
28 archaeological qualities. The preservation and promotion of a
29 roadway which has been designated for inclusion in the program
30 shall include, but not be limited to, the following activities: making
31 safety improvements to the roadway to the extent that such
32 improvements are necessary to accommodate increased traffic and
33 changes in the types of vehicles using the roadway due to its
34 inclusion in the program; constructing rest areas, turnouts, highway
35 shoulder improvements, passing lanes, overlooks, interpretive
36 facilities, and other facilities for use by pedestrians and bicyclists
37 along the roadway; making improvements that will enhance access
38 to recreations areas in the vicinity of the roadway; protecting
39 scenic, historical, natural, archaeological, and cultural resources in
40 areas adjacent to the roadway; and developing and promoting
41 tourist information to the public, including interpretive information
42 about the program and the specific roadways that have been
43 included in the program.

44 The bill designates the following roadways for inclusion in the
45 New Jersey Scenic and Historic Highways Program:

46 1) “Quaker Road Scenic and Historic Highway” in Princeton
47 Township, Mercer County;

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1 2) “Closter Dock Road Scenic and Historic Highway,” which
2 extends from Closter to Alpine in Bergen County;

3 3) “Huyler’s Landing Road Scenic and Historic Highway” in
4 Cresskill, Bergen County;

5 4) “Kinderkamack Road Scenic and Historic Highway,” which
6 extends from Hackensack to the New York state line near Montvale
7 in Bergen County;

8 5) “Franklin Avenue Scenic and Historic Highway,” which
9 extends from Oakland to Wyckoff in Bergen County;

10 6) “Dunkerhook Road Scenic and Historic Highway,” which
11 extends from Fair Lawn to Paramus in Bergen County;

12 7) “Piermont and Rockleigh Roads Scenic and Historic
13 Highway,” which consists of Piermont Road, from Tenafly to the
14 New York state line in Bergen County, and Rockleigh Road, from
15 Northvale to the New York state line in Bergen County; and

16 8) “Grand Avenue Scenic and Historic Highway,” which extends
17 from Englewood to Ridgefield in Bergen County.

18 The bill also permits the Department of Transportation and any
19 other public entity with jurisdiction over a roadway which has been
20 designated for inclusion in the program to erect signs indicating that
21 a roadway has been granted such a designation.

SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 3048

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JANUARY 7, 2010

The Senate Transportation Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Senate Bill No. 3048.

This amended bill would establish the “New Jersey Scenic and Historic Highways Program” to be administered by the Commissioner of Transportation. The purpose of the program is to encourage the State and counties and municipalities throughout the State to preserve the unique and intrinsic qualities of roadways deemed to have scenic and historic value.

The bill allows the Legislature, through the passage of legislation, to designate roadways in this State for inclusion in the program. Once a roadway has been designated for inclusion in the program, the Department of Transportation and all other entities with jurisdiction over the roadway or the surrounding area are encouraged to preserve and promote the scenic, historic, recreational, cultural, or archaeological qualities, or any combination of the foregoing, that served as the basis for the roadway’s inclusion in the program.

The department and other public entities with jurisdiction over the roadway, or its surrounding area, are encouraged not to make any physical changes to the roadway, or its surrounding area, that would degrade any of its scenic, historic, recreational, cultural, or archaeological qualities. The preservation and promotion of a roadway which has been designated for inclusion in the program shall include, but not be limited to, the following activities: making safety improvements to the roadway to the extent that such improvements are necessary to accommodate increased traffic and changes in the types of vehicles using the roadway due to its inclusion in the program; constructing rest areas, turnouts, highway shoulder improvements, passing lanes, overlooks, interpretive facilities, and other facilities for use by pedestrians and bicyclists along the roadway; making improvements that will enhance access to recreational areas in the vicinity of the roadway; protecting scenic, historical, natural, archaeological, and cultural resources in areas adjacent to the roadway; and developing and promoting tourist information to the public, including interpretive information about the program and the specific roadways that have been included in the program.

The bill designates the following roadways for inclusion in the New Jersey Scenic and Historic Highways Program:

- 1) “Quaker Road Scenic and Historic Highway” in Princeton Township in Mercer County;
- 2) “Closter Dock Road Scenic and Historic Highway,” which extends from Closter to Alpine in Bergen County;
- 3) “Huyler’s Landing Road Scenic and Historic Highway” in Cresskill in Bergen County;
- 4) “Kinderkamack Road Scenic and Historic Highway,” which extends from Hackensack to the New York state line near Montvale in Bergen County;
- 5) “Franklin Avenue Scenic and Historic Highway,” which extends from Oakland to Wyckoff in Bergen County;
- 6) “Dunkerhook Road Scenic and Historic Highway,” which extends from Fair Lawn to Paramus in Bergen County;
- 7) “Piermont and Rockleigh Roads Scenic and Historic Highway,” which consists of Piermont Road, from Tenafly to the New York state line in Bergen County, and Rockleigh Road, from Northvale to the New York state line in Bergen County; and
- 8) “Grand Avenue Scenic and Historic Highway,” which extends from Englewood to Ridgefield in Bergen County.

The bill also permits the Department of Transportation and any other public entity with jurisdiction over a roadway which has been designated for inclusion in the program to erect signs indicating that a roadway has been granted such a designation.

The committee amended the bill to correct typographical and editorial errors.

With these amendments, this bill is identical to A-3930(1R).