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(New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp  
--amendments)

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SPONSOR(S) Palaia

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SENATE, No. 764

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED MAY 7, 1992

By Senator PALAIA

1 AN ACT concerning the New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp and  
2 amending P.L.1983, c.504.

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

6 1. Section 2 of P.L.1983, c.504 (C.23:3-76) is amended to read  
7 as follows:

8 2. a. No person over the age of 16 shall at any time hunt,  
9 pursue, kill, take, possess, or attempt to take with a firearm, bow  
10 and arrow, or any other method any ducks, geese, brant, or other  
11 waterfowl without procuring a New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp, as  
12 hereinafter provided, in addition to any other licenses or permits  
13 required under Title 23 of the Revised Statutes.

14 b. The stamp issued pursuant to this act shall be designated  
15 the New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp, shall be required to be in the  
16 possession of any person engaged in hunting, pursuing, killing,  
17 taking, possessing, or attempting to take with a firearm, bow and  
18 arrow, or any other method any ducks, geese, brant, or other  
19 waterfowl, and shall be exhibited upon the request of any  
20 conservation officer, deputy conservation officer, or other law  
21 enforcement official.

22 c. This section shall not apply to any person engaged in  
23 hunting, pursuing, killing, taking, possessing, or attempting to  
24 take captive-reared mallard ducks, properly marked in  
25 accordance with federal regulations, on a commercial shooting  
26 preserve.

27 (cf: P.L.1983, c.504, s.2)

28 2. Section 3 of P.L.1983, c.504 (C.23:3-77) is amended to read  
29 as follows:

30 3. The New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp shall be procured from  
31 the Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife, or from other designated  
32 agents deemed qualified by the Division of Fish, Game and  
33 Wildlife. The annual fee for the New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp  
34 shall be \$5.00 for persons without a valid New Jersey resident's  
35 firearm hunting or bow and arrow license, and \$2.50 for persons  
36 possessing a valid New Jersey resident's firearm hunting or bow  
37 and arrow license. A New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp shall not be  
38 valid unless it is in the possession of the licensee and contains the  
39 signature of the licensee written in ink across the face of the  
40 stamp. All New Jersey Waterfowl Stamps shall expire on June 30  
41 of each year, unless otherwise prescribed in the State Fish and  
42 Game Code.

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

Matter underlined thus is new matter.



SENATE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**SENATE, No. 764**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: JUNE 1, 1992

The Senate Environment Committee favorably reports Senate Bill No. 764.

This bill would make several changes to the "New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp Act," P.L.1983, c.504 (C.23:3-75 et seq.).

The bill specifically exempts hunters of properly marked captive-reared mallard ducks from the requirement of obtaining the New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp; permits collectors to obtain the \$2.50 and \$5.00 stamps regardless of their residency status or licenses held; and authorizes the New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp Account to be credited with moneys and property received by the Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife for the purposes of protecting waterfowl habitats.

ASSEMBLY ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 764

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: OCTOBER 1, 1992

The Assembly Environment Committee favorably reports Senate Bill No. 764.

This bill would make several changes to the "New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp Act," P.L.1983, c.504 (C.23:3-75 et seq.).

The bill specifically exempts hunters of properly marked captive-reared mallard ducks from the requirement of obtaining the New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp; permits collectors to obtain the \$2.50 and \$5.00 stamps regardless of their residency status or licenses held; and authorizes the New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp Account to be credited with moneys and property received by the Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife for the purposes of protecting waterfowl habitats.

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE TO  
**SENATE, No. 764**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: August 11, 1992

Senate Bill No. 764 of 1992 exempts hunters of properly marked, captive-reared mallard ducks on a commercial shooting preserve from the requirement of obtaining the New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp. It also permits collectors to obtain the \$2.50 and \$5.00 stamps regardless of their residency status or licenses held, and authorizes the New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp account to be credited with moneys and property received by the Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife for the purposes of protecting waterfowl habitats. Revenues from this source are dedicated to the division for program and wildlife habitat support.

The Office of Legislative Services cannot estimate the amount of revenues that would be lost as a result of the bill's exemption provision because the division has not made this information available. It could be assumed, however, that the loss of revenues would probably not be significant relative to the \$200,000 in total revenues collected annually under the "N.J. Waterfowl Stamp Act" because most stamp buyers are hunters who do not frequent commercial shooting preserves. In addition, any such loss of revenues would probably be partially or totally offset by an increase in revenues from stamps purchased by collectors pursuant to the bill.

This legislative fiscal estimate has been produced by the Office of Legislative Services due to the failure of the Executive Branch to respond to our request for a fiscal note.

This fiscal estimate has been prepared pursuant to P.L.1980, c.67.