

ASSEMBLY, No. 1424

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 209th LEGISLATURE

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2000 SESSION

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman ALEX DECROCE

District 26 (Essex, Morris and Passaic)

Assemblywoman CAROL J. MURPHY

District 26 (Essex, Morris and Passaic)

SYNOPSIS

Prohibits use of DOT property for the storage or handling of radioactive-contaminated material.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



1 AN ACT prohibiting the use of Department of Transportation property
2 for the storage or handling of radioactive-contaminated materials
3 and supplementing P.L.1966, c.301 (C.27:1A-1 et seq.).
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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. a. Notwithstanding the provision of any law, rule or regulation
9 to the contrary, the Commissioner of Transportation shall not permit
10 any property of the Department of Transportation to be used for the
11 storage or handling of radioactive-contaminated material.

12 b. Nothing in this act shall be construed as prohibiting the
13 department from engaging in any activity on department property for
14 which there is appropriate regulatory oversight.
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16 2. This act shall take effect immediately.
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19 STATEMENT
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21 This bill would prohibit the use of Department of Transportation
22 property for the storage or handling of radioactive-contaminated
23 materials.

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25 prohibiting the department from engaging in any activity on
26 department property for which there is appropriate regulatory
27 oversight.

ASSEMBLY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1424

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JANUARY 24, 2000

The Assembly Transportation Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 1424.

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This bill was pre-filed for introduction in the 2000 session pending technical review. As reported, the necessary technical review has been performed.

SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1424

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: FEBRUARY 17, 2000

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Co-Sponsored by:

Assemblywoman Heck

SYNOPSIS

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As reported by the Assembly Transportation Committee with technical review.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 2/1/2000)

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P.L. 2000, CHAPTER 7, *approved March 23, 2000*
Assembly, No. 1424

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CHAPTER 7

AN ACT prohibiting the use of Department of Transportation property for the storage or handling of radioactive-contaminated materials and supplementing P.L.1966, c.301 (C.27:1A-1 et seq.).

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

C.27:1A-5.18 Property of Department of Transportation, storage, handling of radioactive-contaminated material prohibited; exceptions.

1. a. Notwithstanding the provision of any law, rule or regulation to the contrary, the Commissioner of Transportation shall not permit any property of the Department of Transportation to be used for the storage or handling of radioactive-contaminated material.

b. Nothing in this act shall be construed as prohibiting the department from engaging in any activity on department property for which there is appropriate regulatory oversight.

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved March 23, 2000.

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Office of the Governor
NEWS RELEASE

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RELEASE: March 23, 2000

Governor Christie Whitman today signed the following pieces of legislation:

A-20, sponsored by Assembly Members Jack Collins (R-Salem/Cumberland/Gloucester) and Joseph V. Doria, Jr. (D-Hudson) and Senators Diane B. Allen (R-Burlington/Camden) and Donald T. DiFrancesco (R-Middlesex/Morris/Somerset/Union), appropriates \$26,311,000 of federal Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) funds. The funds were recently made available by the federal government to assist eligible low-income persons with their home heating bills.

Due to the availability of these federal funds, Gov. Whitman announced on February 24 that the state LIHEAP would be expanded to provide 145,000 low-income households, including 90,000 senior citizens, with financial help with their home heating bills. The federal allocation also authorizes funds already expended by the Department of Human Services (DHS) to assist low-income households with particularly high cooling costs from the 1999 heat wave, and unanticipated costs due to destruction from Hurricane Floyd. LIHEAP is jointly administered by the DHS and the Department of Community Affairs.

A-1424, sponsored by Assembly Members Alex DeCroce (R-Essex/Morris/Passaic) and Carol J. Murphy (R-Essex/Morris/Passaic), prohibits using Department of Transportation (DOT) property for the storage or handling of radioactive contaminated material. The bill is primarily directed at private companies that use DOT property to store or handle radioactive-contaminated materials. However, the prohibition does not apply to DOT itself - in the event the department obtains appropriate environmental approvals to store or handle radioactive-contaminated materials on its property. Under past law, private companies were required to obtain DOT approval and applicable environmental approvals prior to storing or handling any hazardous substance on DOT property.

A-760, sponsored by Assembly Member Gerald H. Zecker (R-Essex/Passaic) and Senators Andrew R. Ciesla (R-Ocean/Monmouth) and Henry P. McNamara (R-Bergen/Passaic), changes the name of the Interstate Sanitation Commission to the Interstate Environmental Commission, and the Interstate Sanitation District to the Interstate Environmental District. The bill is intended to clarify the role of the Commission by changing the name of the Commission and the District to more accurately reflect its full scope of activities and purpose.