

SENATE, No. 228

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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By Mr. MATHIS

Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Economic Development

AN ACT to amend "An act concerning the Board of Commerce and Navigation, and supplementing Title 12, chapter 6, of the Revised Statutes," approved May 1, 1940 (P. L. 1940. c. 52).

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

1 1. Section 1 of the act of which this act is amendatory, is amended to read
2 as follows:

3 1. In addition to the powers conferred by the provisions of the act to
4 which this act is a supplement, the State Department of Conservation and
5 Economic Development is hereby authorized and empowered to repair, recon-
6 struct, or construct bulkheads, seawalls, breakwaters, groins or jetties, beach-
7 fills or dunes, on any and every beach front along the Atlantic ocean, in the
8 State of New Jersey, or any beach front along the Delaware bay and Dela-
9 ware river, Raritan bay, *Barnegat bay*, and Sandy Hook bay, or at any inlet
10 or estuary or any inland waters adjacent to any inlet or estuary along the
11 shores of the State of New Jersey, to repair damage caused by erosion and
12 storm, or to prevent erosion of the beaches and to stabilize the inlets or estu-
13 aries.

1 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

STATEMENT

The purpose of this bill is to amend the act quoted in the title hereof relating to beach protection, by including therein Barnegat bay. The present act empowers the State Department of Conservation and Economic Development to do work for beach protection along the Atlantic ocean, the Delaware bay, the Delaware river, Raritan bay and Sandy Hook bay, but does not include Barnegat bay. It is felt that Barnegat bay should be included as a result of severe storms which have caused a serious erosion problem in said area.