

12:3-37.1

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

NJSA 12:3-37.1 (Allows riparian lands to be leased to counties for park and recreational purposes)

Laws of 1977 Chapter 375

Bill No. S1497

Sponsor(s) Tumulty

Date Introduced May 24, 1976

Committee: Assembly Energy & Natural Resources

Senate Energy & Environment

Amended during passage Yes No Amendments during passage denoted by asterisks

Date of passage: Assembly December 15, 1977

Senate February 17, 1977

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Following statements are attached if available:

Sponsor statement Yes No Below
Committee Statement: Assembly Yes No
Senate Yes No
Fiscal Note Yes No
Veto message Yes No
Message on signing Yes No

Following were printed:

Reports Yes No
Hearings Yes No

Sponsor's Statement:

This act would extend the provisions of P.L. 1975 c.354 to authorize the State to lease riparian lands to counties as well as municipalities for park and recreational purposes.

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**SENATE, No. 1497**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

INTRODUCED MAY 24, 1976

By Senator TUMULTY

Referred to Committee on Energy and Environment

AN ACT to amend the title of "An act authorizing the State to lease riparian lands to municipalities in certain cases," approved March 3, 1976 (P. L. 1975, c. 354), so that the same shall read, "An act authorizing the State to lease riparian lands to municipalities and counties *\*and other instrumentalities of the State\** in certain cases," and to amend the body of said act.

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

1 1. The title of P. L. 1975, c. 354 is amended to read as follows:  
2 An act authorizing the State to lease riparian lands to municipi-  
3 palities *and counties \*and other instrumentalities of the State\** in  
4 certain cases.

1 2. Section 1 of P. L. 1975, c. 354 (C. 12:3-37.1) is amended to  
2 read as follows:

3 1. The State is authorized to lease or otherwise permit **[the]**  
4 *county or municipal \*or other instrumentality of the State\** use of  
5 riparian lands owned by the State and situate within *the county*  
6 *\*or other instrumentality of the State\** or *within* or contiguous  
7 to said municipality, when said lease or use is approved by the  
8 Department of Environmental Protection, without consideration  
9 or at nominal consideration, and to be maintained and used ex-  
10 clusively for park and recreational purposes. Said lease or use  
11 agreement shall contain a limitation that if the riparian lands are  
12 not maintained and used in accordance with the provisions of this  
13 act, such lease or use agreement shall be of no further force and  
14 effect.

1 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

ASSEMBLY ENERGY AND NATURAL  
RESOURCES COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO  
**SENATE, No. 1497**

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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
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DATED: APRIL 21, 1977

Senate Bill No. 1497 would permit the State to lease State-owned riparian lands to counties for recreational purposes. Present law restricts such agreements to municipalities.

The Assembly committee amendments would further extend such agreements to include "other instrumentalities of the State."