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BILL NO: S123

SPONSOR(S): Palaia

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COMMITTEE: ASSEMBLY: Environment  
SENATE: Natural Resources

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SENATE: February 5, 1996

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COMMITTEE STATEMENT: ASSEMBLY: Yes  
SENATE: Yes

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P.L. 1996, CHAPTER 43, *approved June 28, 1996*  
Senate No. 123

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

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Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel

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ASSEMBLY ENVIRONMENT, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY  
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**SENATE, No. 123**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: APRIL 22, 1996

The Assembly Environment, Science and Technology Committee favorably reports Senate Bill No. 123.

This bill would increase the fee for the New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp from \$5.00 to \$10.00 for nonresident hunters and from \$2.50 to \$5.00 for resident hunters. Comparable increases would be imposed for such stamps purchased for collection purposes only.

As reported by the committee, this bill is identical to Assembly Bill No. 1716 of 1996.

SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES AND ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**SENATE, No. 123**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: JANUARY 22, 1996

The Senate Natural Resources and Economic Development committee favorably reports Senate Bill No. 123.

This bill would increase the fee for the New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp from \$5.00 to \$10.00 for nonresident hunters and from \$2.50 to \$5.00 for resident hunters. Comparable increases would be imposed for such stamps purchased for collection purposes only.

This bill was pre-filed for introduction in the 1996-1997 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review, which has been performed.

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE TO  
**SENATE, No. 123**  
**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED June 5, 1996

Senate Bill No. 123 of 1996 increases the fees for New Jersey Waterfowl Stamps from \$5.00 to \$10.00 for nonresident hunters and from \$2.50 to \$5.00 for resident hunters. The increased rates would also apply to any persons who wish to purchase these stamps for collection purposes only. Revenues from the purchase of these stamps are utilized exclusively by the Department of Environmental Protection's Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife for the acquisition, protection, maintenance, improvement, and enhancement of waterfowl habitats and associated wetlands.

The Office of Legislative Services estimates that if the same number of waterfowl stamps are purchased after the bill is enacted, the program's annual revenue level of approximately \$170,000 will double to \$340,000. These funds are dedicated to the department in an off-budget account for the aforementioned purposes and are therefore not subject to the annual appropriations process.

The 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.