

SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
**SENATE, No. 2246**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
**220th LEGISLATURE**

ADOPTED FEBRUARY 16, 2023

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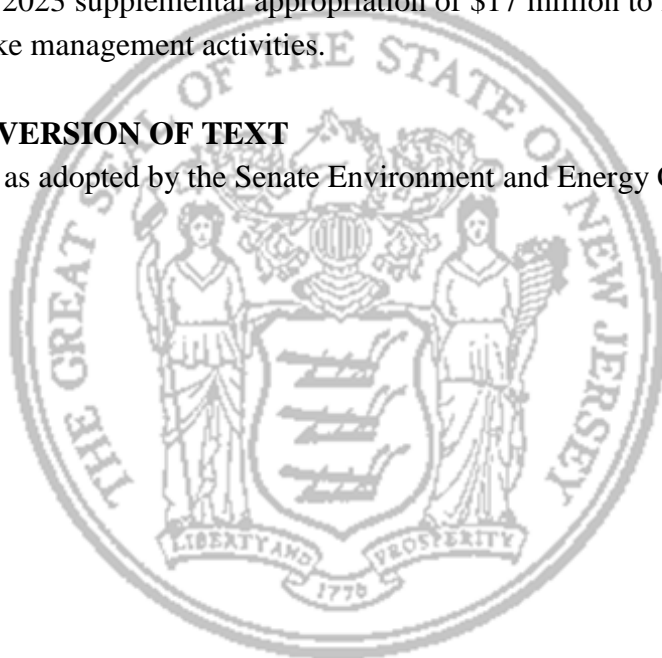
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**SYNOPSIS**

Makes FY2023 supplemental appropriation of \$17 million to DEP for grants for certain lake management activities.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

Substitute as adopted by the Senate Environment and Energy Committee.



1    **A SUPPLEMENT** to the annual appropriations act for the fiscal year  
2       ending June 30, 2023, P.L.2022, c.49.

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

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7       1. In addition to the amounts appropriated under P.L.2022, c.49,  
8 the annual appropriations act for the fiscal year ending June 30,  
9 2023, there is appropriated the following amount for the purpose  
10 specified:

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**42 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

*40 Community Development and Environmental Management*

*43 Science and Technical Programs*

**GRANTS-IN-AID**

06-4850	Water Monitoring.....	\$17,000,000
	Total Grants-In-Aid Appropriation,	
	Stormwater Management Grants	\$17,000,000

***Grants-In-Aid:***

06	Stormwater Management Grants	
	.....	(\$17,000,000)

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13    The amounts hereinabove appropriated shall be used for providing  
14       grants to assist qualified entities to pay for the management and  
15       maintenance of lakes for recreation and conservation purposes  
16       pursuant to section 2 of this act.

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18       2. a. The amounts appropriated in section 1 of this act shall be  
19       used for providing grants to assist qualified entities to pay for the  
20       management and maintenance of lakes for recreation and  
21       conservation purposes pursuant to the provisions of this section.

22       b. The department shall establish a program for the purpose of  
23       providing grants with the moneys allocated pursuant to section 1 of  
24       this act to assist qualified entities to pay certain costs associated  
25       with the management and maintenance of lakes for recreation and  
26       conservation purposes.

27       c. (1) In establishing the program required pursuant to this  
28       section, the department shall develop criteria for the evaluation and  
29       ranking of applications to provide priority to projects:

30       (a) submitted by qualified entities responsible for a lake with  
31       public access; and

32       (b) to improve water quality and increase recreational access  
33       and use of lakes, including projects to control nutrient levels in  
34       lakes in order to prevent future harmful algal blooms.

35       (2) A grant issued pursuant to this section may be used for  
36       stormwater and nonpoint source pollution management activities  
37       that would, as determined by the department, directly enhance,

1 improve, or protect the use of a lake for recreation and conservation  
2 purposes.

3 (3) The Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall  
4 develop an application by which a qualified entity may apply for a  
5 grant pursuant to this section, and criteria by which to rank the  
6 applications received by the department. The commissioner shall  
7 provide notice of the availability of funding for this program and  
8 make the application available on the department's Internet website.

9 d. As used in this section:

10 "Greenwood Lake Commission" means the commission created  
11 pursuant to section 3 of P.L.1999, c.402 (C.32:20A-3).

12 "Lake Hopatcong Commission" means the commission created  
13 pursuant to section 3 of P.L.2000, c.175 (C.54:4B-3).

14 "Qualified entity" means: the Greenwood Lake Commission; the  
15 Lake Hopatcong Commission; a local government unit; an entity  
16 established pursuant to law or an entity established pursuant to  
17 ordinance by the municipalities surrounding a publicly-accessible  
18 lake for the management of the lake, including, but not limited to,  
19 the Deal Lake Commission or the Lake Topanemus Park  
20 Commission; or a nonprofit organization that is exempt from  
21 federal taxation pursuant to 26 U.S.C. s.501 (c)(3) and whose  
22 mission is the management or maintenance of a publicly-accessible  
23 lake.

24 "Recreation and conservation purposes" means the same as that  
25 term is defined in section 3 of P.L.1999, c.152 (C.13:8C-3).

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27 3. This act shall take effect immediately.