

SENATE, No. 3044

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 220th LEGISLATURE

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District 18 (Middlesex)

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SYNOPSIS

Makes supplemental appropriation of \$15 million to DEP for implementation of Electric School Bus Program.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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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 the General Assembly of the
5 State 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 from the General Fund the following
10 amount for the purpose specified:

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12 42 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL
13 PROTECTION

14 40 Community Development and Environmental Management

15 45 Environmental Regulation

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17 GRANTS-IN-AID

18 02-4892 Air Pollution Control \$15,000,000

19 Total Grants-in-Aid appropriation,

20 Environmental Regulation \$15,000,000

21 *Grants-in-Aid:*

22 02 Electric School Bus Program,

23 P.L.2022, c.86.....(\$15,000,000)

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25 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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28 STATEMENT

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30 This bill appropriates \$15 million to the Department of
31 Environmental Protection (DEP) from the General Fund to support
32 the Electric School Bus Program.

33 In August 2022, the State enacted P.L.2022, c.86 (C.26:2C-8.58),
34 which required the DEP to develop and implement an Electric
35 School Bus Program. Under the law, the DEP will award grants to
36 certain school districts and school bus contractors for the purchase
37 or lease of electric school buses and electric school bus charging
38 infrastructure. Subject to the availability of funds, the law requires
39 the DEP to provide \$15 million in grants during each year of the
40 three-year program.

41 Accordingly, this bill appropriates \$15 million to the DEP to
42 support the first year of operations of the Electric School Bus
43 Program. As provided under P.L.2022, c.86, the DEP may use up
44 to five percent of these monies to support administrative costs
45 associated with the program.