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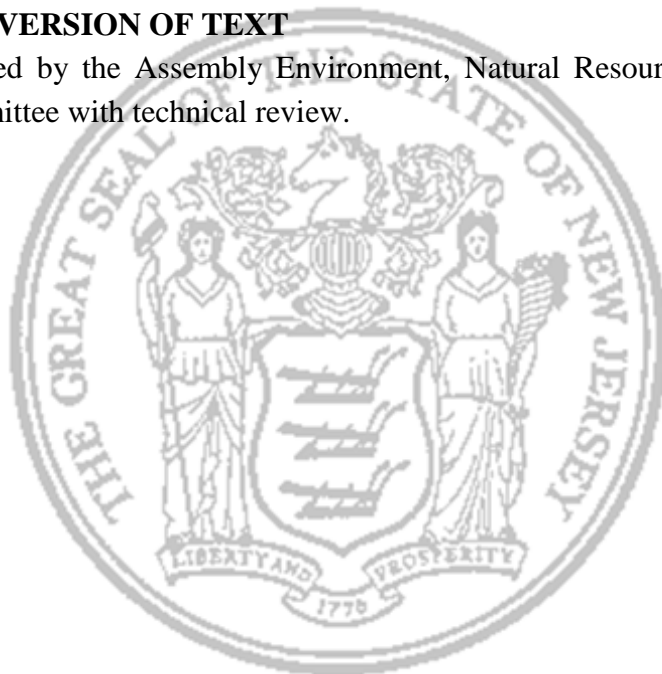
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SYNOPSIS

Requires each solid waste management district to develop strategy in solid waste management plan to reduce food waste.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Environment, Natural Resources, and Solid Waste Committee with technical review.



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1 AN ACT concerning the reduction of food waste and supplementing
2 P.L.1970, c.39 (C.13:1E-1 et seq.).

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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. a. No later than two years after the effective date of this
8 section, each solid waste management district in the State shall
9 develop and implement a strategy for reducing, by the year 2030, the
10 amount of food waste generated annually in the district by at least 50
11 percent of the amount which is generated in the year this section takes
12 effect. The strategy shall be adopted as an amendment to the district
13 solid waste management plan required pursuant to the “Solid Waste
14 Management Act,” P.L.1970, c.39 (C.13:1E-1 et seq.) and subject to
15 the approval of the department.

16 b. No later than 180 days after the effective date of this section,
17 the department shall develop, and publish on its Internet website, a list
18 of measures solid waste management districts can take in order to
19 achieve the food waste reduction requirement established in subsection
20 a. of this section. Such measures shall include, but need not be limited
21 to, measures to increase the donation of surplus edible food, the source
22 separation and recycling of food waste, the composting and anaerobic
23 digestion of food waste and other food waste diversion methods that
24 also reduce methane emissions, and public awareness campaigns.

25 c. As used in this section, “food waste” means food processing
26 waste, food processing residue generated from processing and
27 packaging operations, overripe or spoiled produce, trimmings from
28 food, food product over-runs, soiled and unrecyclable paper, and used
29 cooking fats, oil, and grease.

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31 2. This act shall take effect immediately.