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SYNOPSIS

Prohibits treatment, discharge, disposal, or storage, in the State, of wastewater from hydraulic fracturing.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel



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1 AN ACT concerning wastewater from hydraulic fracturing and
2 supplementing P.L.1977, c.74 (C.58:10A-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 wastewater resulting from hydraulic fracturing for the
8 purpose of natural gas exploration or production in any state may be
9 treated, discharged, disposed of, or stored in the State.

10 b. As used in this section, “hydraulic fracturing” means the
11 drilling technique of expanding existing fractures or creating new
12 fractures in rock by injecting water, often with chemicals, sand, or
13 other substances, and often under pressure, into or underneath the
14 surface of the rock for purposes including, but not necessarily
15 limited to, well drilling and natural gas exploration and production.
16 The term “hydraulic fracturing” shall include “fracking,”
17 “hydrofracking,” “hydrofracturing,” and other colloquial terms for
18 this drilling technique.

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20 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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23 STATEMENT

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25 This bill prohibits, in New Jersey, the treatment, discharge,
26 disposal, or storage of any wastewater resulting from hydraulic
27 fracturing for the purpose of natural gas exploration or production
28 in any state.