

SENATE, No. 1391

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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Senator JOSEPH PENNACCHIO

District 26 (Essex, Morris and Passaic)

SYNOPSIS

Dedicates \$500,000 annually from the General Fund to NJ Greenwood Lake Fund.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1 **AN ACT** dedicating revenues from the General Fund to the New
2 Jersey Greenwood Lake Fund, and supplementing P.L.1999,
3 c.402 (C.32:20A-1 et seq.).
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5 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
6 *of New Jersey:*
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8 1. Greenwood Lake is an interstate lake approximately nine
9 miles long, straddling the border of New York and New Jersey. It is
10 located in West Milford, New Jersey (in Passaic County) and
11 Greenwood Lake, New York (in Orange County).

12 Greenwood Lake feeds North Jersey's major source of drinking
13 water, the Monksville and Wanaque Reservoir, and supplies
14 drinking water to 3.5 million residents and thousands of businesses
15 on a daily basis.

16 Additionally, Greenwood Lake is a popular destination for
17 outdoor activities, such as fishing, water skiing, jet skiing,
18 canoeing, kayaking, swimming, boating, and other water activities,
19 and hiking in the surrounding parks.
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21 2. a. The "New Jersey Greenwood Lake Fund" is established
22 as a nonlapsing, revolving fund in the Department of Environmental
23 Protection. The fund shall be administered by the department, and
24 shall be annually credited with \$500,000 from the General Fund,
25 and with any interest or other investment income earned on monies
26 in the fund. Moneys in the fund shall be used solely for the
27 protection, preservation, maintenance, management, or
28 enhancement of the New Jersey side of Greenwood Lake.

29 b. Moneys appropriated to the fund may be utilized without
30 matching funds from substantially similar legislation by the State of
31 New York if used solely for the protection, preservation,
32 maintenance, management, or enhancement of the New Jersey side
33 of Greenwood Lake.

34 c. When joint funding is required by the Greenwood Lake
35 Commission, pursuant to section 3 of P.L.1999, c. 402 (C.32:20A-3
36 et seq.), the State of New York is not required to provide moneys
37 from a similar source as the State of New Jersey.
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39 3. This act shall take effect on July 1, 2020.
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42 STATEMENT

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44 This bill establishes the "New Jersey Greenwood Lake Fund" as
45 a nonlapsing, revolving fund in the Department of Environmental
46 Protection (DEP). The fund is administered by the DEP and
47 credited annually with \$500,000 from the New Jersey State General
48 Fund. The moneys are to be used by the Greenwood Lake

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1 Commission for the protection, preservation, restoration,
2 maintenance, management, and enhancement of the lake.

3 Under the bill, moneys in the fund could be used without
4 matching funds from the State of New York if the moneys are used
5 solely for the protection, preservation, maintenance, management,
6 or enhancement of the New Jersey side of Greenwood Lake. In
7 addition, when joint funding is required by the Greenwood Lake
8 Commission, the State of New York would not be required to
9 provide moneys from a similar source as the State of New Jersey.