

SENATE, No. 1539

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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SYNOPSIS

Requires DEP to provide for annual suppression of black flies along Delaware River.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1 **AN ACT** concerning black fly suppression along the Delaware River
2 and supplementing Title 13 of the Revised Statutes.

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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. The Department of Environmental Protection shall provide
8 for the suppression of black flies each year along the Delaware
9 River, using chemical or other effective means. If the department
10 chooses to conduct the suppression in cooperation with another
11 state, the department may negotiate with the other state regarding
12 how the suppression shall be accomplished and the funding to be
13 provided, and may contract with the other state to have that state
14 conduct the spraying, provided that the suppression is conducted
15 each year at least on the New Jersey side of the Delaware River.
16 The department shall include sufficient funding for the black fly
17 suppression in its annual budget request.

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19 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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24 This bill requires the Department of Environmental Protection to
25 provide annual suppression of black flies each year along the
26 Delaware River, using chemical or other effective means. The bill
27 allows for the department to conduct the suppression in cooperation
28 with another state, negotiate with the other state regarding how the
29 suppression is to be accomplished and the funding to be provided,
30 or contract with the other state to have that state conduct the
31 suppression, provided that the suppression is conducted each year at
32 least on the New Jersey side of the Delaware River. The bill directs
33 the department to include sufficient funding for the suppression in
34 its annual budget request.