**An Act To Restore Eelgrass Mapping and Enhance Salt Marsh Vegetation Mapping in the State**

L.D. 593

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SENATE AMENDMENT “      ” to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “A” to H.P. 436, L.D. 593, “An Act To Restore Eelgrass Mapping and Enhance Salt Marsh Vegetation Mapping in the State”

Amend the amendment in section 1 in §1805 in subsection 3 in paragraph A in the first line (page 2, line 4 in amendment) by striking out the following: "2022" and inserting the following: '2023'

Amend the amendment in section 1 in §1805 in subsection 3 in paragraph B in the first line (page 2, line 6 in amendment) by striking out the following: "2023" and inserting the following: '2024'

Amend the amendment in section 1 in §1805 in subsection 3 in paragraph C in the first line (page 2, line 8 in amendment) by striking out the following: "2024" and inserting the following: '2025'

Amend the amendment in section 1 in §1805 in subsection 3 in paragraph D in the first line (page 2, line 10 in amendment) by striking out the following: "2025" and inserting the following: '2026'

Amend the amendment in section 1 in §1805 in subsection 3 in paragraph E in the first line (page 2, line 12 in amendment) by striking out the following: "2026" and inserting the following: '2027'

Amend the amendment in section 1 in §1805 in subsection 5 in the first line (page 2, line 16 in amendment) by striking out the following: "2023" and inserting the following: '2024'

Amend the amendment by striking out all of section 2 and inserting the following:

'**Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations.**  The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DEPARTMENT OF**

**Eelgrass and Salt Marsh Vegetation Mapping Fund N302**

Initiative: Provides an allocation to accept grants, bequests, gifts or contributions from any source, public or private, to support the administration of the eelgrass and salt marsh vegetation mapping program.

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| **OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS** | **2021-22** | **2022-23** |
| All Other | $0 | $500 |
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| OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL | $0 | $500 |

**Water Quality 0248**

Initiative: Provides appropriations for one Biologist II position and one Environmental Technician position and All Other costs.

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| **GENERAL FUND** | **2021-22** | **2022-23** |
| POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT | 0.000 | 2.000 |
| Personal Services | $0 | $191,551 |
| All Other | $0 | $6,292 |
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| GENERAL FUND TOTAL | $0 | $197,843 |

**Water Quality 0248**

Initiative: Provides appropriations for aerial imagery acquisition and processing and annual equipment maintenance and replacement.

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| **GENERAL FUND** | **2021-22** | **2022-23** |
| All Other | $0 | $86,671 |
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| GENERAL FUND TOTAL | $0 | $86,671 |

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| **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION,** **DEPARTMENT OF** |   |   |
| **DEPARTMENT TOTALS** | **2021-22** | **2022-23** |
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| **GENERAL FUND** | **$0** | **$284,514** |
| **OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS** | **$0** | **$500** |
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| **DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS** | **$0** | **$285,014** |

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Amend the amendment by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

**SUMMARY**

This amendment removes the appropriations and allocations for fiscal year 2021-22. It changes the dates for the mapping schedule by moving the dates one year later and requires the first report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over environmental and natural resources matters to be submitted by March 1, 2024 instead of March 1, 2023.

**SPONSORED BY: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**(Senator BREEN, C.)**

**COUNTY: Cumberland**