### MISCELLANEOUS COMMISSIONS OVERVIEW

Miscellaneous Commissions refer to agencies whose missions extend beyond a single department. In some instances, an interstate commission operates in conjunction with executive departments in several other states, with each member exercising equal power in the decision process. Such compacts are necessary, as an action taken by one state frequently has ramifications in another state. Intrastate commissions address statewide issues.

The fiscal 1998 Budget for Miscellaneous Commissions totals \$2.3 million. Services are provided in three distinct areas: science and technical programs, governmental review and oversight, and management and administration. Science and technical programs include the Delaware River Basin Commission and the Interstate Sanitation Commission. Governmental review and oversight refers to the Council On Local Mandates. Management and administration refers to the Governor's Performance Review Initiative.

The Delaware River Basin Commission coordinates activities and sponsors research on water resources in conjunction with federal, State, municipal and private agencies. The member states are New Jersey, New York, Delaware and Pennsylvania. The fiscal 1998 recommendation of \$688,000 provides for New Jersey's contribution to the Commission's total operating budget.

The Interstate Sanitation Commission plans and coordinates activities designed to abate water pollution in waterways common to New Jersey, New York, and Connecticut. The fiscal 1998 recommendation of \$315,000 reflects New Jersey's contribution to the Commission's total operating budget.

The Council On Local Mandates resolves disputes and issues rulings on whether a statute, rule, or regulation constitutes an impermissible,unfunded State mandate. The fiscal 1998 recommendation provides \$350,000 for this purpose.

The Governor's Performance Review Initiative provides decision—makers with needed information on the programmatic impact of reduced funding on the clients served. Through on—site audits, performance measures are applied to State and local government agencies to assist them in the development of more efficient and effective operations. The fiscal 1998 recommendation provides \$973,000 for this purpose.

#### SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS BY PROGRAM

(thousands of dollars)

	——Year Eı	nding June 30	1996		usanus of donars)		Year Ending ——June 30, 1998——		
Orig. & (S)Supple– mental	Reapp. & (R)Recpts.	Transfers & (E)Emer–gencies	Total Available	Expended		1997 Adjusted Approp.	Requested	Recom- mended	
					Science and Technical Programs				
620			620	620	Delaware River Basin Commission	688	688	688	
315			315	315	Interstate Sanitation Commission	315	353	315	
935			935	935	Subtotal	1,003	1,041	1,003	
					Governmental Review and Oversight				
350			350		Council On Local Mandates		350	350	
350			350		Subtotal		350	350	
975	243		1,218	1,041	Management and Administration Governor's Performance Review Initiative	973	973	973	
975	243		1,218	1,041	Subtotal	973	973	973	
2,260	243		2,503	1,976	Total Appropriation	1,976	2,364	2,326	

# 40. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT 43. SCIENCE AND TECHNICAL PROGRAMS 9130. INTERSTATE SANITATION COMMISSION

#### **OBJECTIVES**

- To restore to usefulness, within a reasonable time and in an economical manner, areas of the District which are presently blighted from water pollution.
- To plan and coordinate activities to control and prevent air pollution in the region through the development of compatible standards and implementation plans.

#### PROGRAM CLASSIFICATIONS

03. **Interstate Sanitation Commission.** The Interstate Sanitation Commission is a tri–state agency created by the states of New Jersey, New York and Connecticut through enabling legislation and a tri–state compact (RS 32:18–1 et seq. and RS 32:19–1 et seq.) The Interstate Sanitation Commission District extends approximately from Sandy Hook on the New Jersey coast to include all of New York Harbor, north on the Hudson River to the northerly

boundaries of Westchester and Rockland counties, easterly into Long Island Sound to the New Haven, Connecticut shore, to Port Jefferson on the north shore of Long Island, and along the south shore of Long Island extending easterly to Fire Island Inlet. The Commission makes rules, regulations and orders for the abatement of water pollution and may resort to the courts for enforcement. The Commission's program plan for water pollution abatement is designed to provide assistance in an effective coordinated approach to regional problems. The Commission is also the official planning and coordinating agency for the New Jersey-New York-Connecticut air quality control region, though it does not have air pollution abatement enforcement powers. The Commission conducts studies; undertakes research, testing and development; gathers and disseminates data to other public and private organizations or agencies; does sampling to track sources of air pollutants and refers complaints to an appropriate agency or agencies of the states, along with data necessary to take corrective action.

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#### APPROPRIATIONS DATA

(thousands of dollars)

	——Year En	ding June 30, 1	1996					——June 30, 1998——		
Orig. & <sup>(S)</sup> Supple— mental	Reapp. & (R)Recpts.	Transfers & (E)Emer– gencies	Total Available	Expended		Prog. Class.	1997 Adjusted Approp.	Requested	Recom- mended	
					Distribution by Program					
<u>315</u>			315	315	Interstate Sanitation Commission	03	315	353	315	
315			315	315	Total Appropriation		315	353	315	
					Distribution by Object					
					Special Purpose:					
315			315	315	Expenses of the Commission	03	315	353	315	
315			315	315	Total Special Purpose		315	353	315	

# 40. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT 43. SCIENCE AND TECHNICAL PROGRAMS 9140. DELAWARE RIVER BASIN COMMISSION

#### **OBJECTIVES**

- 1. To establish standards of planning, design and operation of water resources projects and facilities in the Basin.
- 2. To conduct and sponsor research on water resources.
- To coordinate the activities and programs of Federal, State, municipal and private agencies concerned with water resources administration.
- 4. To improve environmental quality within the Basin.

#### PROGRAM CLASSIFICATIONS

02. **Delaware River Basin Commission.** This Commission, under the Delaware River Basin Compact (C32:11D-1 et seq.), cooperates as a regional agency for the planning, conservation, utilization, development, management and control of water and related natural resources of the Delaware River Basin. The Compact includes the states of Delaware, New Jersey, New York, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the Federal government. Each year the Commission adopts a water resources program which it proposes be undertaken by the Commission and other governmental and private agencies, organizations and persons during the ensuing six years or

such other reasonable period. The Commission is empowered to allocate the waters of the Basin to and among the states and their respective political subdivisions, and to impose conditions, obligations and release requirements related thereto, subject to certain limitations. It is also empowered to acquire, operate and control projects and facilities for the storage and release of waters and may assess the cost thereof upon water users. The Commission may undertake investigations and surveys, and acquire and construct, operate and maintain projects and facilities to control potential pollution and abate existing pollution. The Commission may plan, design, construct and operate and maintain projects and facilities for flood damage reduction and has the power to restrict the use of property within the area of a flood plain so as to minimize the flood hazard. The Commission provides for the development of water-related public sports and recreational facilities through the construction, maintenance and administration of such facilities. The Commission may develop and operate, or authorize to be developed and operated, dams and related facilities and appurtenances for the purpose of generating hydroelectric power. The appropriation recommended below represents New Jersey's share of the Commission's budget.

#### APPROPRIATIONS DATA

(thousands of dollars)

					,			Year Ending ——June 30, 1998——	
Orig. & <sup>(S)</sup> Supple– mental	Reapp. & (R)Recpts.	Transfers & (E)Emer– gencies	Total Available	Expended		Prog. Class.	1997 Adjusted Approp.	Requested	Recom- mended
					Distribution by Program				
<u>620</u>			620	620	Delaware River Basin Commission	02	688	688	688
620			620	620	Total Appropriation		688	688	688
					Distribution by Object				
					Special Purpose:				
620			620	620	Expenses of the Commission	02	688	688	688
620			620	620	Total Special Purpose		688	688	688
				C	OTHER RELATED APPROPRIA	ATIONS			
2			2	2	Total Capital Construction		2	2	2
622			622	622	Total General Fund		690	690	690

## 70. GOVERNMENT DIRECTION, MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL 72. GOVERNMENTAL REVIEW AND OVERSIGHT 9148. COUNCIL ON LOCAL MANDATES

#### **OBJECTIVES**

 To resolve disputes as to whether a statute, rule or regulation constitutes an unfunded State mandate.

#### PROGRAM CLASSIFICATIONS

72. **Council On Local Mandates.** The nine-member Council was created by P.L. 1996, chapter 24 to implement the constitutional

amendment approved by New Jersey voters in the 1995 general election. The Council reviews and issues written rulings on whether a statute, rule, or regulation constitutes an impermissible unfunded State mandate. Complaints may be filed by a county, municipality or school district, or by a county executive or directly–elected mayor.

#### APPROPRIATIONS DATA

(thousands of dollars)

	——Year En	ding June 30, 1	996					Year E June 30	nding ), 1998——
Orig. & <sup>(S)</sup> Supple– mental	Reapp. & (R)Recpts.	Transfers & (E)Emer– gencies	Total Available	Expended		Prog. Class.	1997 Adjusted Approp.	Requested	Recom- mended
					Distribution by Program				
350			350		Council On Local Mandates	92		350	350
350			350		Total Appropriation			350	350
					Distribution by Object				
					Special Purpose:				
350 S			350		Council On Local Mandates	92		350	350
350			350		Total Special Purpose			350	350

#### LANGUAGE RECOMMENDATIONS

The unexpended balance as of June 30, 1997 in this account is appropriated.

## 70. GOVERNMENT DIRECTION, MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL 76. MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION 9147. GOVERNOR'S PERFORMANCE REVIEW INITIATIVE

#### **OBJECTIVES**

#### To provide decision makers with information on how changes in State funding will affect the clients served.

#### PROGRAM CLASSIFICATIONS

91. Governor's Performance Review Initiative. The Commission will ensure that the downsizing of government will be done responsibly. Programs with limited public benefit will be recommended for reduction. For programs which best serve the citizens of the State, performance measures will be established to ensure and maintain their continued effectiveness, as the downsizing takes place.

### MISCELLANEOUS COMMISSIONS

### APPROPRIATIONS DATA (thousands of dollars)

	——Year En	ding June 30, 1	996					Year E June 30	inding 0, 1998——
Orig. & (S)Supple— mental	Reapp. & (R)Recpts.	Transfers & (E)Emer– gencies	Total Available	Expended		Prog. Class.	1997 Adjusted Approp.	Requested	Recom- mended
					Distribution by Program				
<u>975</u>	243		1,218	1,041	Governor's Performance Review Initiative	91	973	973	973
975	243		1,218	1,041	Total Appropriation		973	973	973
					Distribution by Object				
					Special Purpose:				
975	243		1,218	1,041	Expenses of the Commission	91	973	973	973
975	243		1,218	1,041	Total Special Purpose		973	973	973
The	unexpended	balance as of			E RECOMMENDATIONS count is appropriated.				_
2,260	243		2,503	1,976	Total Appropriation, Miscell Commissions	aneous	1,976	2,364	2,326