

2003 State Legislation affecting the Central Pine Barrens

Updated 10/17/03.

Subject	Legislative Action	Governor's Action	Notes
<p>Enforcement of pine barrens (ECL 57) statute, plan, permits and regulations.</p> <p><i>(See unofficial copy: text, pdf.)</i></p>	<p>A8074A S4784A Passed both houses 6/19/03.</p>	<p>Signed and effective 8/26/03, and became Chapter 434 of the Laws of 2003. Ceremonial signing held on 8/28/03 at Southaven County Park.</p>	<p>Supported by three towns and County Executive. Establishes separate penalties and violation categories for CGA and Core. Prior version had been vetoed in 2002.</p>
<p>Establishment of a Community Preservation Fund in Brookhaven Town through a real estate transfer tax.</p>	<p>A3583 S1664 Passed Assembly 6/20/03. Passed Senate 6/19/03.</p>	<p>Signed and effective. Signing date and chapter number not available at time of compilation.</p>	<p>Authorizes a referendum within Brookhaven Town for final approval. Transfer tax would be 2% on sales amounts above certain levels for improved and unimproved properties.</p>
<p>Establishment of a statewide invasive species task force.</p>	<p>A6988A S3522A Passed Assembly 6/17/03. Passed Senate 6/18/03.</p>	<p>Signed and effective 8/5/03, and became Chapter 324 of the Laws of 2003.</p>	<p>Establishes 17 member task force, with report due by 11/30/05.</p>
<p>Authorization of peace officer status for Riverhead Town Fire Marshals.</p> <p><i>(See unofficial copy: text, pdf.)</i></p>	<p>A1553A S822A Passed Assembly 6/16/03. Passed Senate 6/19/03.</p>	<p>Signed and effective 10/7/03, and became Chapter 638 of the Laws of 2003.</p>	<p>Supported by Pine Barrens Law Enforcement Council (4/24/03).</p>