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The Honorable Chris Christie
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RE: Support for "No Fee" Saltwater Registry (A823/S1122)

Dear Governor Christie,

As a recreational angler in the state of New Jersey, I respectfully urge you to sign A823/S1122 into law.

Satisfying the federal mandate to maintain a contact list of saltwater anglers is vitally important as we begin the New Year. I know that on November 29, 2010, the U.S. Department of Interior made its preliminary apportionment announcement for FY2011, whereby we learned that New Jersey would be entitled to receive an estimated \$2.48 million from the federal Sport Fish Restoration Fund, 60% of which is specifically to be earmarked for saltwater programs like this registry.

I would also like you to know that in the coming year, myself and members of the RFA-NJ chapter pledge to work closely with your administration to identify additional funding sources to support New Jersey's Division of Fish and Wildlife. We have shared many ideas with the Division over the years pertaining to new funding opportunities, and in this time of economic crisis, we all know it's time to get creative – government needs to do a little bit more with a little bit less, and we the saltwater anglers of New Jersey are ready and willing to do a little bit more to help support our friends at the Division with some new funding ideas.

The last thing that we need now however is another bloated user fee; which is why I respectfully urge you to sign A823/S1122 into law as quickly as possible on behalf of our recreational fishing community.

Respectfully submitted,

Signature

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