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12 sary expenses of such examinations and investigations shall be paid from the
13 treasury out of any appropriations made for the purpose upon the order of
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STATEMENT

The purpose of this Bill is to give the Chief Executive broader powers over State Departments. Its title fully expresses its real purpose.

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SENATE BILLS

Complete History of Each Bill Introduced in the Upper House

S 1 Driscoll Jan. 27—(For the President) Amends act creating Cape May Commission for operation of ferry between New Jersey and Delaware to provide issue of bonds by ferry authority of either State or jointly, to clarify rights of bondholders and to provide procedure for toll collection if bonds are defaulted.

Mar. 17—Passed in Senate.
Apr. 21—Passed in Assembly.
Apr. 28—Approved, Chapter 74.

S 2 Driscoll Jan. 27—(For the President) Extends for two years time within which to complete certain railroads.

Feb. 10—Passed in Senate.
Feb. 10—Passed in Assembly.
Feb. 14—Approved, Chapter 3.

S 3 Hendrickson Jan. 27 — Authorizes election of 81 delegates to meet October 15, 1941 to frame State Constitution; provides referendum for adoption of Constitution.

Jan. 27—Elections Com.

S 4 Hendrickson Jan. 27 — Authorizes Governor, either personally or by agent, to examine management of State departments or commissions.

Mar. 10—Passed in Senate.
Mar. 10—Passed in Assembly.
Mar. 15—Approved, Chapter 16.

S 5 Hendrickson Jan. 27—Permits delinquent municipal taxes to be totalled as of January 1, 1941 and to be paid in monthly and quarterly installments over five year period.

Mar. 10—Passed in Senate.
Mar. 10—Received in Assembly.
Mar. 10—Municipalities Com.

S 6 Hendrickson Jan. 27—Creates Sub-Marginal Lands Commission of seven members to investigate location and characteristics of sub-marginal lands with view to determining best possible uses for such lands.

Mar. 17—Com. sub. passed in Senate.
Mar. 17—Received in Assembly.
Mar. 17—Judiciary Com.
Mar. 31—Reported.
Mar. 31—Read second time.
Apr. 29—Laid over.

S 7 Hendrickson Jan. 27—Redefines conditions under which State Department of Local Government shall supervise municipal finances. Permits State Board to authorize municipalities to adopt budgets in excess of limitations set up in act under certain circumstances; prescribes conditions under which municipalities subject to commission may place limitations upon county taxes and county bonds.

Mar. 17—Passed in Senate, amended.
Apr. 21—Passed in Assembly, amended.
Apr. 21—Assemb. amend. passed in Sen.
Apr. 30—Approved, Chapter 95.

S 8 Hendrickson Jan. 27—Prescribes alternate methods by which State Department of Local Government may remedy conditions of municipalities in financial difficulties; requires complete analyses of causes of financial conditions; requires hearings by board on financial affairs of municipalities in difficulties.

Mar. 24—Passed in Senate.
Apr. 21—Passed in Assembly.
Apr. 28—Approved, Chapter 75.

S 9 Hendrickson Jan. 27—Permits municipalities to agree with bondholders to extend maturity dates of bonds not exceeding three years.

Mar. 10—Passed in Senate.
Apr. 21—Passed in Assembly.
Apr. 28—Approved, Chapter 76.

S 10 Hendrickson Jan. 27—Requires local assistance boards to prepare relief estimates for each municipal budget year; requires municipal governing bodies to publish such estimates and to hold public hearings thereon.

Mar. 24—Passed in Senate.
Apr. 21—Lost in Assembly.

S 11 Hendrickson Feb. 3—Permits State agencies to destroy old records after having made photographic copies of same.

Mar. 17—Passed in Senate, amended.
Apr. 21—Passed in Assembly.
Apr. 28—Approved, Chapter 77.

S 12 Eastwood Jan. 27—Repeals Section 40:145-5, Revised Statutes, to eliminate duplicate publication of township committee fiscal reports, such publication being authorized by Section 40:4-2.

Mar. 10—Passed in Senate.
June 16—Passed in Assembly.
June 27—Approved, Chapter 226.

S 13 Eastwood Jan. 27—Provides Chancery Court procedure for escheat of personal property where no devise exists or where no owner is known for 21 years.

Jan. 27—Miscellaneous Business Com.
June 16—Reported.
June 16—Read second time.

S 14 Eastwood Jan. 27 — Permits boroughs whose boundaries are co-terminous with school districts to transfer surplus revenues to such districts.

Feb. 10—Com. sub. passed in Senate.
Feb. 17—Passed in Assembly, amended.
Feb. 17—Assemb. amend. passed in Sen.
Feb. 28—Approved, Chapter 14.

S 15 Eastwood Jan. 27—Grants tenure to deputy surrogates and deputy county clerks serving as such full time for 15 consecutive years in counties between 65,000 and 175,000 population.

Apr. 7—Passed in Senate.
May 19—Lost in Assembly.

S 16 Foran Feb. 3 — Extends for two years act creating Milk Control Board.

Feb. 3—Agriculture Com.

S 17 Wilensky Jan. 27 — Repeals merit rating section of Unemployment Compensation Act; provides for study of question and report to Legislature; provides change in contributions during certain years.

Joint Com. Sub. for S 17, S 75 and S 186 —Expands benefits under Unemployment Compensation Act; changes from one-fifth to one-fourth the controlling fraction of total wages during base year to determine maximum benefits; changes fraction covering weekly benefit rate from one-twenty-second to one-twentieth; increases maximum weekly benefits from \$18 to \$20; reduces employees' contribution from one per cent to one-half of one per cent; revises experience rating system, making employment experience rates contingent on reserve fund condition with maximum rate of 2.7 per cent.

Jan. 27—Corporations Com.
June 9—Reported by com. sub. jointly with S 75 and S 186.

June 9—Read second time.
June 23—Amended.

S 18 Farley Jan. 27—Permits municipalities setting up separate funds to pay debts contracted in operating municipal radio stations and convention halls over five year period to extend such payments over additional five year period

Jan. 27—Passed in Senate.
Feb. 3—Passed in Assembly.
Feb. 17—Approved, Chapter 6.