

5:12-145a

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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

NJSA: 5:12-145a

(Casino Revenue Fund-- prohibit use of moneys for Property Tax Relief Fund programs)

LAWS OF: 1987

CHAPTER: 167

Bill No: S863

Sponsor(s): Russo

Date Introduced: Pre-filed

Committee: Assembly: Senior citizen

Senate: Revenue, Finance and Appropriations

Amended during passage: Yes Amendments during passage denoted by asterisks.

Date of Passage: Assembly: May 18, 1987

Senate: June 23, 1986

Date of Approval: July 8, 1987

Following statements are attached if available:

Sponsor statement: Yes (Below)

Committee statement: Assembly Yes

Senate Yes

Fiscal Note: No

Veto Message: No

Message on Signing: Yes

Following were printed:

Reports: No

Hearings: No

Sponsor's statement:

This bill prohibits the appropriation of monies in the Casino Revenue Fund to fund a program which is funded by the Property Tax Relief Fund.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 1986 SESSION

By Senator RUSSO

AN ACT concerning the use of moneys in the Casino Revenue Fund.

1 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
2 *of New Jersey:*

1. 1. ***[No.]*** **a. Except as otherwise provided in subsection b. of*
2 *this section, no* moneys deposited in the Casino Revenue Fund
3 established by section 145 of the "Casino Control Act," P. L. 1977,
4 c. 110 (C. 5:12-145) may be appropriated to fund a program which
5 ***[is funded by the Property Tax Relief Fund established by N. J. S.**
6 **54A :9-25]*** **was established by law on or before the effective date*
7 *of that act*.*

8 **b. Moneys deposited in the Casino Revenue Fund may be appro-*
9 *priated, within the limits set forth in the "Casino Control Act,"*
10 *P. L. 1977, c. 110 (C. 5:12-1 et seq.), for the costs of a program*
11 *established on or before the effective date of that act, which costs*
12 *are the result of:*

13 (1) *An increase in benefit levels provided by law after the effec-*
14 *tive date of the "Casino Control Act," P. L. 1977, c. 110 (C. 5:12-1*
15 *et seq.); or*

16 (2) *An increase in the size of the recipient population due to*
17 *changes made, pursuant to law enacted after the effective date of*
18 *the "Casino Control Act," P. L. 1977, c. 110 (C. 5:12-1 et seq.), in*
19 *the criteria of eligibility for the program.**

1 2. This act shall take effect ***[July 1, 1984]*** **immediately*.*

STATE BUDGET AND FINANCE

Prohibits use of Casino Revenue Fund moneys for programs exist-
ing when "Casino Control Act" enacted, except under certain
circumstances.

EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill
is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter printed in italics thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in asterisks or stars has been adopted as follows:

*—Senate committee amendments adopted June 2, 1986.

SENATE, No. 863

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel
PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 1986 SESSION

By Senator RUSSO

SENATE, No. 1551

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED MAY 14, 1984

By Senator RUSSO

Referred to Committee on Revenue, Finance and Appropriations

AN ACT concerning the use of moneys in the Casino Revenue Fund.

1 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
2 *of New Jersey:*

1 1. No moneys deposited in the Casino Revenue Fund established
2 by section 145 of the "Casino Control Act," P. L. 1977, c. 110 (C.
3 5:12-145) may be appropriated to fund a program which is funded
4 by the Property Tax Relief Fund established by N. J. S. 54A:9-25.

1 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 1984.

STATEMENT

This bill prohibits the appropriation of moneys in the Casino Revenue Fund to fund a program which is funded by the Property Tax Relief Fund.

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ASSEMBLY SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 863

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 9, 1987

The Assembly Senior Citizens Committee favorably reports Senate Bill No. 863 OCR.

The purpose of this bill is to prohibit the use of Casino Revenue Fund moneys for programs established on or before the effective date of the "Casino Control Act," P. L. 1977, c. 110 (C. 5:12-1 et seq.), June 2, 1971, except under certain limited circumstances. Casino Revenue Fund moneys may be used for the costs of programs established on or before the effective date of the "Casino Control Act" only to the extent that the costs are a result of: (1) increases in benefit levels pursuant to law enacted after that effective date; and (2) increases in the size of recipient populations due to eligibility changes enacted by law after that effective date.

The bill clarifies the original intent of the "Casino Control Act," that moneys in the fund are to be used to expand existing programs for senior and disabled citizens, and to fund new programs for those citizens.

SENATE REVENUE, FINANCE AND APPROPRIATIONS
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 863

with Senate committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 2, 1986

The Senate Revenue, Finance and Appropriations Committee reported this bill favorably, with amendments.

As amended, Senate Bill No. 863 prohibits the use of Casino Revenue Fund moneys for programs established on or before the effective date of the "Casino Control Act," P. L. 1977, c. 110 (C. 5:12-1 et seq.), June 2, 1971, except under certain limited circumstances. Casino Revenue Fund moneys may be used for the costs of programs established on or before the effective date of the "Casino Control Act" only to the extent that those costs are occasioned by: (1) increases in benefit levels pursuant to law enacted after that effective date; and (2) increases in the size of recipient populations due to eligibility changes enacted by law after that effective date. The committee notes that these restrictions are in keeping with the spirit of the "Casino Control Act," that moneys in the fund are to be used to expand existing programs for senior and disabled citizens, and to fund new programs for those citizens.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

As received by the committee, the bill prohibited the use of Casino Revenue Fund moneys for programs funded by the Property Tax Relief Fund (PTRF). The committee amended the bill to prohibit the use of Casino Revenue Fund moneys for programs established on or before the effective date of the "Casino Control Act," except for the stated increases, to allow for the use of Casino Fund moneys for expanded programs, the base costs of which are funded from other sources, which would include, but not be limited to, PTRF.

FISCAL IMPACT

This bill embodies legislative policy concerning the use of resources and, as such, will not effect the level of State revenues or expenditures.