### LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

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(Local Government Education

Program -- within Dept. of Community

Affairs)

**LAWS OF: 1987** 

CHAPTER: 214

Bill No:

S526

Sponsor(s):

Cardinale

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Committee:

**Assembly:** Appropriations

Senate:

Education

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Yes

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**Assembly** 

Senate

Yes

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### SENATE, No. 526

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

#### PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 1986 SESSION

### By Senator CARDINALE

An Acr establishing the "Local Government Education Program" and making an appropriation therefor.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
- 2 of New Jersey:
- 1 1. The Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs
- 2 shall establish and administer a program which shall be known
- 3 as the "Local Government Education Program."
- 1 2. The purpose of this program is to enable county colleges to
- 2 establish noncredit courses, workshops and seminars to educate
- 3 elected or appointed county and municipal officials concerning the
- 4 performance of their public functions and responsibilities.
- 1 3. The Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs
- 2 shall:
- a. Establish procedures for county colleges to apply for funds
- 4 under the Local Government Education Program;
- 5 b. Establish standards for the courses, workshops and seminars
- 6 offered under the Local Government Education Program;
- 7 \*c. Coordinate activities offered under the Local Government
- 8 Education Program with similar activities offered by other agen-
- 9 cies and institutions;\*
- \*[c.]\* \*d.\* Conduct a continuous review of the program; and
- \*[d.]\* \*e.\* Prescribe any other rules and regulations necessary
- 12 to effectuate the purposes of this act.
- 4. There is appropriated to the Department of Community
- 2 Affairs the sum of \*\*[\$99,000.00]\*\* \*\*\$90,000.00\*\* from the
- 3 General Fund for the purpose of effectuating the provisions of

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 February 24, 1986.
- \*\*—Assembly amendment adopted September 8, 1986.

- 4 this act. Each county college located within a county of the first
- 5 class shall be eligible for funds not exceeding \$10,000.00. All other
- 6 county colleges shall be eligible for funds not exceeding \$5,000.00,
- 7 except these county colleges may be eligible for up to an additional
- 8 \$5,000.00 if they provide a Local Government Education Program
- 9 to officials from a contiguous county which has no county college.
- 10 Courses offered by county colleges pursuant to this act shall not
- 11 be eligible for duplicate funding through the Department of Higher
- 12 Education pursuant to N. J. S. 18A:64A-22.
- 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

HIGHER EDUCATION (COLLEGES • UNIVERSITIES)
Establishes a Local Government Education Program to train elected or appointed local officials in government administration. Appropriates \$90,000.00.

### SENATE, No. 526

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

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### SENATE, No. 1192

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

### INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 6, 1984

By Senators CARDINALE, FELDMAN, DUMONT, DALTON, WEISS, STOCKMAN, EWING, BROWN, SAXTON, BASSANO, BUBBA, CONNORS and GARIBALDI

Referred to Committee on Education

An Act establishing the "Local Government Education Program" and making an appropriation therefor.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
- 2 of New Jersey:
- 1 1. The Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs
- 2 shall establish and administer a program which shall be known
- 3 as the "Local Government Education Program."
- 1 2. The purpose of this program is to enable county colleges to
- 2 establish noncredit courses, workshops and seminars to educate
- 3 elected or appointed county and municipal officials concerning the
- 4 performance of their public functions and responsibilities.
- 1 3. The Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs
- 2 shall:
- 3 a. Establish procedures for county colleges to apply for funds
- 4 under the Local Government Education Program;
- b. Establish standards for the courses, workshops and seminars
- 6 offered under the Local Government Education Program;
- 7 c. Conduct a continuous review of the program; and
- 8 d. Prescribe any other rules and regulations necessary to effec-
- 9 tuate the purposes of this act.
- 1 4. There is appropriated to the Department of Community
- 2 Affairs the sum of \$99,000.00 from the General Fund for the pur-
- 3 pose of effectuating the provisions of this act. Each county college
- 4 located within a county of the first class shall be eligible for funds

Matter printed in italics thus is new matter.

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

\*—Senate committee amendment adopted May 21, 1984.

- 5 not exceeding \$10,000.00. All other county colleges shall be eligible
- 6 for funds not exceeding \$5,000.00, except these county colleges may
- 7 be eligible for up to an additional \$5,000.00 if they provide a Local
- 8 Government Education Program to officials from a contiguous
- 9 county which has no county college. \*Courses offered by county
- 10 colleges pursuant to this act shall not be eligible for duplicate fund-
- 11 ing through the Department of Higher Education pursuant to
- 12 N. J. S. 18A:64A-22.\*
- 1 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

### STATEMENT

This bill establishes a Local Government Education Program within the Department of Community Affairs and appropriates \$99,000.00 to it.

Very often local government officials and administrators receive only on the job training. Consequently newly elected or appointed officials and administrators may have an insufficient background in local government law to effectively deal with all their responsibilities.

The goal of this program is to help counties and municipalities create efficient and effective local governments by encouraging county colleges to set up programs to train elected or appointed local officials in proper local government administration. Examples of the types of courses needed include: municipal use of computers, municipal insurance, criminal statutes pertaining to elected officials, cooperative purchasing, local budget law, local bond law, labor negotiations, local government contracts and binding arbitration. None of the courses would be for college credit, and the program would not receive State aid through the Department of Higher Education.

The Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs shall be responsible for administering the program and establishing rules and regulations to effectuate it.

### ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

### SENATE, No. 526

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# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 12, 1986

The Assembly Appropriations Committee favorably reports this bill. This bill establishes a "Local Government Education Program" in the Department of Community Affairs for grants to county colleges to provide noncredit courses, workshops or seminars for elected or appointed county and municipal officials concerning the performance of their functions and responsibilities as public officials.

The Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs will establish application procedures, standards for courses and conduct a continuous review of the program.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill appropriates \$99,000.00 to the Department of Community Affairs. The amount of any grant to county colleges located in first class counties (Bergen, Essex and Hudson) is not to exceed \$10,000.00 each. All other county colleges would be eligible for a grant not to exceed \$5,000.00 each except that those county colleges which provide the program for officials from contiguous counties which do not operate county colleges, would be eligible for an additional grant not to exceed \$5,000.00.

County colleges which receive grants under this act would not be eligible for duplicate funding through State aid to county colleges.

### SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

### SENATE, No. 526

with Senate committee amendments

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: FEBRUARY 24, 1986

The Senate Education Committee favorably reports this bill as amended.

#### Provisions:

This bill establishes a "Local Government Education Program" in the Department of Community Affairs for grants to enable county colleges to provide noncredit courses or seminars for elected or appointed local officials to educate them in the performance of their duties.

The Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs will establish application procedures, standards for courses and conduct a continuous review of the program.

#### FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

The bill appropriates \$99,000.00 for the program.

First class counties (Bergen, Essex and Hudson) would be eligible for up to \$10,000.00 each.

All other county colleges would be eligible for up to \$5,000.00, unless they provide programs for Cape May and Hunterdon counties which do not operate county colleges. The maximum grant would then be \$10,000.00.

Courses which receive funds under this act would not be eligible for duplicate funding through State aid to county colleges.

### AMENDMENT:

The committee amended the bill to require the Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs to coordinate this program with similar activities offered by other institutions and agencies. The purpose of the amendment is to avoid duplication of effort and thus ensure maximum impact for this program.

This bill was pre-filed for introduction in the 1986 session pending technical review. As amended, the bill includes the changes required by technical review which has been performed.

ASSEMBLY Amendments
Proposed by Assemblyman Felice

to

SENATE Bill No. 526(OCR)
Sponsored by Senator Cardinale

Amend:

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Omit "\$99,000.00" Insert "\$90,000.00"

### STATEMENT

This amendment reduces the appropriation from \$99,000.00 to \$90,000.00.

### NOTE TO PRINTER

Reprint synopsis in Roman to read as follows: Establishes a Local Government Education Program to train elected or appointed local officials in government administration.

Appropriates \$90,000.00.