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**SPONSOR(S)** Sacco and others

**DATE INTRODUCED:** January 12, 2010

COMMITTEE: ASSEMBLY: Transportation, Public Works and Independent Authorities

**SENATE:** Transportation

AMENDED DURING PASSAGE: No

**DATE OF PASSAGE:** ASSEMBLY: May 20, 2010

**SENATE:** February 22, 2010

**DATE OF APPROVAL:** July 2, 2010

FOLLOWING ARE ATTACHED IF AVAILABLE:

FINAL TEXT OF BILL (Introduced version of bill enacted)

**S733** 

SPONSOR'S STATEMENT: (Begins on page 7 of introduced bill)

Yes

COMMITTEE STATEMENT: ASSEMBLY: Yes

SENATE: Yes

(Audio archived recordings of the committee meetings, corresponding to the date of the committee statement, *may possibly* be found at www.njleg.state.nj.us)

FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT: No

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE: Yes

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SPONSOR'S STATEMENT: (Begins on page 7 of introduced bill)

Yes

COMMITTEE STATEMENT: ASSEMBLY: Yes

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# SENATE, No. 733

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

## 214th LEGISLATURE

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2010 SESSION

**Sponsored by:** 

Senator NICHOLAS J. SACCO District 32 (Bergen and Hudson) Senator ANDREW R. CIESLA District 10 (Monmouth and Ocean)

#### **SYNOPSIS**

Expands permitted expenditures from Airport Safety Fund.

#### **CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 2/5/2010)

**AN ACT** concerning expenditures from the Airport Safety Fund, and amending various parts of the statutory law.

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

- 1. Section 1 of P.L.1953, c.234 (C.6:1-44.1) is amended to read as follows:
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All such fees shall be paid to the State Treasurer by the division for deposit in the Airport Safety Fund established by section 4 of the "New Jersey Airport Safety, Security and Improvement Act [of 1983]," P.L.1983, c.264 (C.6:1-89 et seq.).

33 (cf: P.L.1983, c.264, s.16)

- 35 2. Section 7 of P.L.1971, c.118 (C.6:1-59.1) is amended to read 36 as follows:
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EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

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- and costs collected in such actions shall be accounted for by the
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- 5 transmit the same to the State Treasurer, who shall credit such
- 6 moneys to the Airport Safety Fund established by section 4 of the
- 7 "New Jersey Airport Safety, Security and Improvement Act [of
- 8 1983]," P.L.[[1983], c. [264] (C. [6:1-89 et seq.])]1983, c.264
- 9 (C.6:1-89 et seq).
- 10 (cf: P.L.1983, c.264, s.17)

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- 14 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "New Jersey Airport Safety, Security and Improvement Act [of 1983]."
- 16 (cf: P.L.1983, c.264, s.1)

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- d. To acquire lands or rights in lands adjacent to privately owned, public use airports, which are found necessary for airport or air safety purposes, and while retaining title to that land or rights in land, the commissioner may lease those lands or rights to airports or airport authorities for use in the furtherance of airport, air safety, or

air transportation purposes. The commissioner shall establish terms in any such lease so as to protect the State's interest in the promotion of aviation and the State's investment in lands and property.

- 5 e. To provide loans to unrestricted public use airports and New 6 Jersey based aviation enterprises, in amounts not to exceed 7 \$200,000 per loan, for such specific purposes, not included among 8 those set forth in subsection b. of this section, and on such terms 9 and conditions as may be determined by the commissioner pursuant 10 to this subsection. Loans pursuant to this subsection may be or 11 provided for revenue nonrevenue generating 12 construction, capital development, or equipment acquisition 13 purposes I purposes or projects which effectuate the New Jersey 14 Airport Safety, Security and Improvement Act and the duties and 15 powers of the commissioner set forth in section 5 of P.L.1966, 16 c.301 (C.27:1A-5). In providing such loans, the commissioner shall 17 establish loan security terms so as to protect the State's interests. 18 Loans shall not be provided pursuant to this subsection to airports 19 or enterprises for the purpose of expanding, preparing for an 20 expansion or completing an expansion of the physical capabilities 21 of the airport, including but not limited to expansion of the 22 runways, to support a greater number of flights or larger aircraft 23 than that which the airport is able to handle within the safety 24 parameters applicable to that airport at the time of the loan 25 application, except that a loan may be provided to restore the 26 physical capabilities of an airport, which capabilities have been 27 reduced as a result of insufficient maintenance and repair, to the 28 capabilities that existed when the airport was in a state of full repair 29 and fully maintained.
  - f. To establish, operate, or provide any program or activity which promotes aviation safety, promotes aviation education, or provides for the promotion of aeronautics. In no fiscal year shall the amount of moneys expended pursuant to this subsection exceed 10 percent of the total amount of moneys appropriated in that fiscal year to the Airport Safety Fund, established in the General Fund pursuant to section 4 of P.L.1983, c.264 (C.6:1-92).

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- 5. Section 15 of P.L.1995, c.108 (C.27:1B-21.8) is amended to read as follows:
- 15. Each year a nonlapsing sum of money shall be appropriated from funds held in the Special Transportation Fund, established pursuant to section 21 of P.L.1984, c.73 (C.27:1B-21), and credited to the Airport Safety Fund, established in the General Fund pursuant to section 4 of P.L.1983, c.264 (C.6:1-92), for use for any purpose pursuant to the "New Jersey Airport Safety, Security and Improvement Act [of 1983]," P.L.1983, c.264 (C.6:1-89 et al.) and

- that sum shall be included in the annual report of projects prepared
- 2 pursuant to section 22 of P.L.1984, c.73 (C.27:1B-22). Funds so
- 3 appropriated shall no longer be subject to the provisions and
- 4 limitations of chapter 1B of Title 27 of the Revised Statutes, but
- 5 instead shall be subject to the provisions and limitations of
- 6 P.L.1983, c.264 (C.6:1-89 et al.).
- 7 (cf: P.L.1997, c.231, s.5)

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- 6. R.S.54:39-66 is amended to read as follows:
- 10 54:39-66. Any person:
  - (1) Who shall use any fuels as herein defined for any of the following purposes:
    - (a) (Deleted by amendment.)
- 14 (b) Autobuses while being operated over the highways of this 15 State in those municipalities to which the operator has paid a monthly franchise tax for the use of the streets therein under the 16 17 provisions of R.S.48:16-25 and autobuses while being operated over 18 the highways of this State in a regular route bus operation as 19 defined in R.S.48:4-1 and under operating authority conferred 20 pursuant to R.S.48:4-3, or while providing bus service under a 21 contract with the New Jersey Transit Corporation or under a 22 contract with a county for special or rural transportation bus service 23 subject to the jurisdiction of the New Jersey Transit Corporation 24 pursuant to P.L.1979, c.150 (C.27:25-1 et seq.), and autobuses 25 providing commuter bus service which receive or discharge passengers in New Jersey. For the purpose of this paragraph 26 27 "commuter bus service" means regularly scheduled passenger 28 service provided by motor vehicles whether within or across the 29 geographical boundaries of New Jersey and utilized by passengers 30 using reduced fare, multiple ride or commutation tickets and shall 31 not include charter bus operations or special bus operations as 32 defined in R.S.48:4-1 or buses operated for the transportation 33 of enrolled children and adults referred to in subsection c. of 34 R.S.48:4-1,
  - (c) Agricultural tractors not operated on a public highway,
  - (d) Farm machinery,
- 37 (e) Aircraft,

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- 38 (f) Ambulances,
- (g) Rural free delivery carriers in the dispatch of their officialbusiness,
- 41 (h) Such vehicles as run only on rails or tracks, and such 42 vehicles as run in substitution therefor,
  - (i) Such highway motor vehicles as are operated exclusively on private property,
- (j) Motor boats or motor vessels used exclusively for or in the propagation, planting, preservation and gathering of oysters and clams in the tidal waters of this State,

- 1 (k) Motor boats or motor vessels used exclusively for 2 commercial fishing,
- 3 (l) Motor boats or motor vessels, while being used for hire for 4 fishing parties or being used for sightseeing or excursion parties,
  - (m) Cleaning,

- (n) Fire engines and fire-fighting apparatus,
- (o) Stationary machinery and vehicles or implements not designed for the use of transporting persons or property on the public highways,
  - (p) Heating and lighting devices,
- (q) Fuels previously taxed under this chapter and later exported from the State of New Jersey to any other state or country; provided, proof satisfactory to the director of such exportation is submitted,
- (r) Motor boats or motor vessels used exclusively for Sea Scout training by a duly chartered unit of the Boy Scouts of America,
- (s) Emergency vehicles used exclusively by volunteer first-aid or rescue squads, and
- (t) Diesel fuel, the increase in the tax thereof as imposed by P.L.1984, c.73, as used by passenger automobiles and motor vehicles of less than 5,000 pounds gross weight; and
- (2) Who shall have paid the tax for such fuels, hereby required to be paid, shall be reimbursed and repaid the amount of tax so paid upon presenting to the director an application for such reimbursement or repayment, in form prescribed by the director, which application shall be verified by a declaration of the applicant that the statements contained therein are true. Such application for reimbursement or repayment shall be supported by an invoice, or invoices, showing the name and address of the person from whom purchased, the name of the purchaser, the date of purchase, the number of gallons purchased, the price paid per gallon, and an acknowledgment by the seller that payment of the cost of the fuel, including the tax thereon, has been made. Such invoice, or invoices, shall be legibly written and shall be void if any corrections or erasures shall appear on the face thereof.
- The director may, in his discretion, permit a distributor entitled to a refund under the provisions of this section to take credit therefor, in lieu of such refund, in such manner as the director may require, on a report filed pursuant to R.S.54:39-27.
- Any refund granted to a person under subsection (1)(e), for fuel used in aircraft, shall be paid from the moneys deposited in the Airport Safety Fund established by section 4 of the "New Jersey Airport Safety, Security and Improvement Act [of 1983],"
- 44 P.L.1983, c.264 (C.6:1-92). Such refunds shall be granted on an
- 45 annual basis.
- 46 (cf: P.L.1992, c.23, s.45)

7. R.S.54:39-71 is amended to read as follows:

2 54:39-71. Except as provided in R.S. 54:39-30, moneys received 3 in accordance with this chapter, other than taxes paid on aircraft 4 fuels, shall be accounted for and forwarded by the Director of the 5 Division of Taxation to the State Treasurer, to be paid out and distributed by him as hereinafter in this article provided. Moneys 6 7 received from taxes on fuel used in aircraft, pursuant to R.S. 54:39-8 27 and section 7 of the "New Jersey Airport Safety, Security and 9 <u>Improvement</u> Act [of 1983]," P.L. 1983, c. 264 (C. 54:39-27a) 10 shall be accounted for and forwarded by the Director of the Division of Taxation to the State Treasurer, who shall credit these 11 12 payments to the Airport Safety Fund established by section 4 of the 13 "New Jersey Airport Safety, Security and Improvement Act [of 14 1983]," P.L.1983, c.264 (C.6:1-92).

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(cf: P.L.1983, c.264, s.6)

8. This act shall take effect immediately.

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This bill would change the name of the existing "New Jersey Airport Safety Act of 1983" to the "New Jersey Airport Safety, Security and Improvement Act."

Additionally, this bill would expand the authority of the Commissioner of Transportation to expend monies from the Airport Safety Fund (ASF) to provide grants and loans to publicly owned and private, unrestricted, public use airports to include grants and loans for security, capital improvement, informational and educational projects, and revenue and nonrevenue producing capital improvement and development projects. Currently, under P.L.1983, c.264 (C.6:1-93), the commissioner is authorized to expend monies from the ASF to provide loans in amounts not exceeding \$200,000 to unrestricted public use airports and New Jersey based aviation enterprises for revenue or nonrevenue generating construction capital development, or equipment acquisition purposes. This bill would delete language regarding the provision of such limited loans for revenue or nonrevenue generating capital construction, and capital development and equipment acquisition purposes, but would permit such limited loans for the purposes or projects which effectuate the New Jersey Airport Safety, Security and Improvement Act and the duties and powers of the commissioner set forth in section 5 of P.L.1966, c.301 (C.27:1A-5).

It is the sponsor's understanding that the ASF, established by the "New Jersey Airport Safety Act of 1983," was created for the purpose of supporting projects that foster airport safety. This bill

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- would amend the statutory language governing the ASF to further
- 2 clarify that purpose.

#### SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

#### STATEMENT TO

#### SENATE, No. 733

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2010

The Senate Transportation Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 733.

This bill would change the name of the existing "New Jersey Airport Safety Act of 1983" to the "New Jersey Airport Safety, Security and Improvement Act."

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This bill was pre-filed for introduction in the 2010-2011 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review, which has been performed.

# ASSEMBLY TRANSPORTATION, PUBLIC WORKS AND INDEPENDENT AUTHORITIES COMMITTEE

#### STATEMENT TO

#### SENATE, No. 733

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MAY 13, 2010

The Assembly Transportation, Public Works and Independent Authorities Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 733.

As reported, this bill would change the name of the existing "New Jersey Airport Safety Act of 1983" to the "New Jersey Airport Safety, Security and Improvement Act."

Under the current law, the Commissioner of Transportation is authorized to expend monies from the Airport Safety Fund (ASF) to provide loans in amounts not exceeding \$200,000 to unrestricted public use airports and New Jersey based aviation enterprises for revenue or nonrevenue generating capital construction, capital development, or equipment acquisition purposes. The bill would delete this purpose-restricting language and instead would permit such limited-amount loans for any purposes or projects which effectuate the New Jersey Airport Safety, Security and Improvement Act and the duties and powers of the commissioner set forth in section 5 of P.L.1966, c.301 (C.27:1A-5). The bill also would clarify that commissioner may expend from the ASF loan amounts exceeding \$200,000, not only for engineering, planning, construction and rehabilitation of lighting, runways, aprons, airport approach aids and obstruction removals, as under current law, but also for security, capital improvement, informational and educational projects, and revenue and nonrevenue producing capital improvement and development projects.

As reported, Senate Bill No. 733 is identical to Assembly Bill No. 1675, which was amended and reported by the committee on this date.

# LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE SENATE, No. 733 STATE OF NEW JERSEY 214th LEGISLATURE

DATED: MARCH 1, 2010

#### **SUMMARY**

**Synopsis:** Expands permitted expenditures from Airport Safety Fund.

**Type of Impact:** No fiscal impact.

**Agencies Affected:** Department of Transportation

#### Office of Legislative Services Estimate

Fiscal Impact	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
State Cost	No Impact – See comments below		

• The Office of Legislative Services (OLS) has determined that this legislation will have no fiscal impact on the State.

#### **BILL DESCRIPTION**

Senate Bill No. 733 of 2010 would change the name of the existing "New Jersey Airport Safety Act of 1983" to the "New Jersey Airport Safety, Security and Improvement Act."

The bill would expand the authority of the Commissioner of the Department of Transportation (DOT) to expend monies from the Airport Safety Fund (ASF) to provide grants and loans to publicly owned and private, unrestricted, public use airports to include grants and loans for security, capital improvement, informational and educational projects, and revenue and nonrevenue producing capital improvement and development projects. Currently, under P.L.1983, c.264 (C.6:1-93), the commissioner is authorized to expend monies from the ASF to provide loans in amounts not exceeding \$200,000 to unrestricted public use airports and New Jersey based aviation enterprises for revenue or nonrevenue generating capital construction, capital development, or equipment acquisition purposes. This bill would delete language regarding the provision of such limited loans for revenue or nonrevenue generating capital construction, capital development and equipment acquisition purposes, but would permit such limited loans for purposes or projects which effectuate the New Jersey Airport Safety, Security and Improvement Act and the duties and powers of the commissioner set forth in section 5 of P.L.1966, c.301 (C.27:1A-5).



#### FISCAL ANALYSIS

#### **EXECUTIVE BRANCH**

None received.

#### OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

The OLS has determined that this bill will have no financial impact on the State, or affect the funding level of the Division of Aeronautics within the DOT.

The OLS notes that some additional Airport Improvement, Safety and Security related projects may be created that the DOT can handle with existing staff with minimal or no impact to employee work load or existing operations.

Section: Authorities, Utilities, Transportation and Communications

Analyst: Joseph A. Hroncich

Associate Fiscal Analyst

Approved: David J. Rosen

Legislative Budget and Finance Officer

This fiscal estimate has been prepared pursuant to P.L. 1980, c.67 (C. 52:13B-6 et seq.).

# ASSEMBLY, No. 1675

# **STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

## 214th LEGISLATURE

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2010 SESSION

Sponsored by: Assemblyman LOUIS D. GREENWALD District 6 (Camden)

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- d. To acquire lands or rights in lands adjacent to privately owned, public use airports, which are found necessary for airport or air safety purposes, and while retaining title to that land or rights in land, the commissioner may lease those lands or rights to airports or airport authorities for use in the furtherance of airport, air safety, or air transportation purposes. The commissioner shall establish terms

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  - f. To establish, operate, or provide any program or activity which promotes aviation safety, promotes aviation education, or provides for the promotion of aeronautics. In no fiscal year shall the amount of moneys expended pursuant to this subsection exceed 10 percent of the total amount of moneys appropriated in that fiscal year to the Airport Safety Fund, established in the General Fund pursuant to section 4 of P.L.1983, c.264 (C.6:1-92).

(cf: P.L.1997, c.231, s.4)

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5. Section 15 of P.L.1995, c.108 (C.27:1B-21.8) is amended to read as follows:

15. Each year a nonlapsing sum of money shall be appropriated from funds held in the Special Transportation Fund, established pursuant to section 21 of P.L.1984, c.73 (C.27:1B-21), and credited to the Airport Safety Fund, established in the General Fund pursuant to section 4 of P.L.1983, c.264 (C.6:1-92), for use for any purpose pursuant to the "New Jersey Airport Safety, Security and Improvement Act [of 1983]," P.L.1983, c.264 (C.6:1-89 et al.) and that sum shall be included in the annual report of projects prepared pursuant to section 22 of P.L.1984, c.73 (C.27:1B-22). Funds so appropriated shall no longer be subject to the provisions and limitations of chapter 1B of Title 27 of the Revised Statutes, but

1 instead shall be subject to the provisions and limitations of 2 P.L.1983, c.264 (C.6:1-89 et al.).

3 (cf: P.L.1997, c.231, s.5)

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- 6. R.S.54:39-66 is amended to read as follows:
- 6 54:39-66. Any person:
  - (1) Who shall use any fuels as herein defined for any of the following purposes:
    - (a) (Deleted by amendment.)
- (b) Autobuses while being operated over the highways of this 10 State in those municipalities to which the operator has paid a 11 monthly franchise tax for the use of the streets therein under the 12 13 provisions of R.S.48:16-25 and autobuses while being operated over 14 the highways of this State in a regular route bus operation as 15 defined in R.S.48:4-1 and under operating authority conferred 16 pursuant to R.S.48:4-3, or while providing bus service under a 17 contract with the New Jersey Transit Corporation or under a 18 contract with a county for special or rural transportation bus service 19 subject to the jurisdiction of the New Jersey Transit Corporation 20 pursuant to P.L.1979, c.150 (C.27:25-1 et seq.), and autobuses 21 providing commuter bus service which receive or discharge 22 passengers in New Jersey. For the purpose of this paragraph 23 "commuter bus service" means regularly scheduled passenger 24 service provided by motor vehicles whether within or across the 25 geographical boundaries of New Jersey and utilized by passengers 26 using reduced fare, multiple ride or commutation tickets and shall 27 not include charter bus operations or special bus operations as 28 defined in R.S.48:4-1 or buses operated for the transportation of 29 enrolled children and adults referred to in subsection c. of R.S.48:4-30
  - (c) Agricultural tractors not operated on a public highway,
- 32 (d) Farm machinery,
- 33 (e) Aircraft,

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- (f) Ambulances,
- 35 (g) Rural free delivery carriers in the dispatch of their official36 business,
- 37 (h) Such vehicles as run only on rails or tracks, and such vehicles as run in substitution therefor,
  - (i) Such highway motor vehicles as are operated exclusively on private property,
- 41 (j) Motor boats or motor vessels used exclusively for or in the 42 propagation, planting, preservation and gathering of oysters and 43 clams in the tidal waters of this State,
- 44 (k) Motor boats or motor vessels used exclusively for 45 commercial fishing,
- 46 (l) Motor boats or motor vessels, while being used for hire for 47 fishing parties or being used for sightseeing or excursion parties,

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- (n) Fire engines and fire-fighting apparatus,
- (o) Stationary machinery and vehicles or implements not 4 designed for the use of transporting persons or property on the public highways,
  - (p) Heating and lighting devices,
  - (q) Fuels previously taxed under this chapter and later exported from the State of New Jersey to any other state or country; provided, proof satisfactory to the director of such exportation is submitted,
  - (r) Motor boats or motor vessels used exclusively for Sea Scout training by a duly chartered unit of the Boy Scouts of America,
  - (s) Emergency vehicles used exclusively by volunteer first-aid or rescue squads, and
  - (t) Diesel fuel, the increase in the tax thereof as imposed by P.L.1984, c.73, as used by passenger automobiles and motor vehicles of less than 5,000 pounds gross weight; and
  - (2) Who shall have paid the tax for such fuels, hereby required to be paid, shall be reimbursed and repaid the amount of tax so paid upon presenting to the director an application for such reimbursement or repayment, in form prescribed by the director, which application shall be verified by a declaration of the applicant that the statements contained therein are true. Such application for reimbursement or repayment shall be supported by an invoice, or invoices, showing the name and address of the person from whom purchased, the name of the purchaser, the date of purchase, the number of gallons purchased, the price paid per gallon, and an acknowledgment by the seller that payment of the cost of the fuel, including the tax thereon, has been made. Such invoice, or invoices, shall be legibly written and shall be void if any corrections or erasures shall appear on the face thereof.

The director may, in his discretion, permit a distributor entitled to a refund under the provisions of this section to take credit therefor, in lieu of such refund, in such manner as the director may require, on a report filed pursuant to R.S.54:39-27.

Any refund granted to a person under subsection (1)(e), for fuel used in aircraft, shall be paid from the moneys deposited in the Airport Safety Fund established by section 4 of the "New Jersey Airport Safety, Security and Improvement Act [of 1983]," P.L.1983, c.264 (C.6:1-92). Such refunds shall be granted on an annual basis.

42 (cf: P.L.1992, c.23, s.45)

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7. R.S.54:39-71 is amended to read as follows:

54:39-71. Except as provided in R.S. 54:39-30, moneys received 45 in accordance with this chapter, other than taxes paid on aircraft 46 47 fuels, shall be accounted for and forwarded by the Director of the

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Division of Taxation to the State Treasurer, to be paid out and 1 2 distributed by him as hereinafter in this article provided. Moneys 3 received from taxes on fuel used in aircraft, pursuant to R.S. 54:39-4 27 and section 7 of the "New Jersey Airport Safety, Security and 5 <u>Improvement</u> Act [of 1983]," P.L. 1983, c. 264 (C. 54:39-27a) 6 shall be accounted for and forwarded by the Director of the 7 Division of Taxation to the State Treasurer, who shall credit these 8 payments to the Airport Safety Fund established by section 4 of the 9 "New Jersey Airport Safety, Security and Improvement Act [of 10 1983, "P.L. 1983, c. 264 (C. 6:1-92). 11 (cf: P.L.1983, c.264, s. 6) 12 8. This act shall take effect immediately. 13 14 15 16 **STATEMENT** 17

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This bill would change the name of the existing "New Jersey Airport Safety Act of 1983" to the "New Jersey Airport Safety, Security and Improvement Act."

Additionally, this bill would authorize the Commissioner of Transportation to expend monies from the Airport Safety Fund (ASF) to provide grants and loans to publicly owned and private, unrestricted, public use airports for security, capital improvement, informational and educational projects. This bill amends P.L.1983, c.264 (C.6:1-93) to remove the limit on the total amount of loan money the commissioner is authorized to make available for capital Currently, under P.L.1983, c.264 (C.6:1-93), the commissioner is authorized to expend monies from the ASF to provide loans in amounts not exceeding \$200,000 to unrestricted public use airports and New Jersey based aviation enterprises for revenue or nonrevenue generating capital construction, capital development, or equipment acquisition purposes. This bill would delete language regarding the provision of loans in amounts not exceeding \$200,000 for revenue or nonrevenue generating capital construction, and capital development.

It is the sponsor's understanding that the ASF, established by the "New Jersey Airport Safety Act of 1983," was created for the purpose of supporting projects that foster airport safety. This bill would amend the statutory language governing the ASF to further clarify that purpose.

# ASSEMBLY TRANSPORTATION, PUBLIC WORKS AND INDEPENDENT AUTHORITIES COMMITTEE

#### STATEMENT TO

### ASSEMBLY, No. 1675

with committee amendments

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MAY 13, 2010

The Assembly Transportation, Public Works and Independent Authorities Committee reports favorably and with amendments Assembly Bill No. 1675.

As reported, this amended bill would change the name of the existing "New Jersey Airport Safety Act of 1983" to the "New Jersey Airport Safety, Security and Improvement Act."

Under the current law, the Commissioner of Transportation is authorized to expend monies from the Airport Safety Fund (ASF) to provide loans in amounts not exceeding \$200,000 to unrestricted public use airports and New Jersey based aviation enterprises for revenue or nonrevenue generating capital construction, capital development, or equipment acquisition purposes. The amended bill would delete this purpose-restricting language and instead would permit such limited-amount loans for any purposes or projects which effectuate the New Jersey Airport Safety, Security and Improvement Act and the duties and powers of the commissioner set forth in section 5 of P.L.1966, c.301 (C.27:1A-5). The amended bill also would clarify that commissioner may expend from the ASF loan amounts exceeding \$200,000, not only for engineering, planning, construction and rehabilitation of lighting, runways, aprons, airport approach aids and obstruction removals, as under current law, but also for security, capital improvement, informational and educational projects, and revenue and nonrevenue producing capital improvement and development projects.

As reported Assembly Bill No. 1675, as amended, is identical to Senate Bill No. 733 which reported by the committee on this date.

This bill was pre-filed for introduction in the 2010-2011 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review, which has been performed.

#### **COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

The committee amended the bill to clarify that Commissioner of Transportation may expend from the Airport Safety Fund loan amounts exceeding \$200,000 for revenue and nonrevenue producing capital improvement and development projects and to provide that commissioner may expend limited loans for the purposes or projects which effectuate the New Jersey Airport Safety, Security and Improvement Act and the duties and powers of the commissioner set forth in section 5 of P.L.1966, c.301 (C.27:1A-5).