# 40 A: 2-22 and 40 A: 4-45.10a

#### LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

NJSA: 40A:2-22 and 40A:4-45.10a (Sanitary landfills--

closure--permit county and municipal bonds to finance)

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## CHAPTER 153 LAWS OF N. J. 1985 APPROVED 4-25-85

## SENATE, No. 2832

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

#### INTRODUCED MARCH 7, 1985

By Senator DALTON

(Without Reference)

An Act concerning the financing of the closure of sanitary landfills, providing for the issuance of certain bonds under the "Local Bond Law," P. L. 1960, c. 169, amending N. J. S. 40A:2-22, supplementing P. L. 1976, c. 68 and P. L. 1981, c. 306, and making an appropriation.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
- 2 of New Jersey:

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- 1. (New section) The Legislature finds that the ever-increasing
- 2 costs of environmentally sound solid waste disposal necessarily
- 3 impose economic burdens on local governments and residential
- 4 taxpayers and put a strain on municipalities to meet their budgetary
- 5 requirements without periodic increases in local property taxes;
- 6 that the proper disposal of solid waste and the implementation of
- 7 an environmentally sound solid waste management strategy are
- 8 governmental functions which directly impact on the public interest;
- 9 that the considerable escrow and closing costs required to insure the
- 10 environmentally sound closure of sanitary landfill facilities have
- 11 contributed to these escalating disposal costs or tipping fees; and
- 12 that it is in the public interest that the local governments shall be
- 13 authorized to meet these increasing costs for landfill closure through
- 14 utilization of long term debt, the payment of which will apportion
- 15 these costs more equitably over a longer period of time and will
- 16 therefore avoid the need for imposing economic burdens on resi-
- 17 dential taxpayers through substantial increases in local property
- 18 taxes to pay these costs immediately.
- 2. N. J. S. 40A:2-22 is amended to read as follows:
- 2 40A:2-22. The governing body of the local unit shall determine 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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- 3 the period of usefulness of any purpose according to its reasonable
- 4 life computed from the date of the bonds, which period shall not be
- 5 greater than the following:

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- 6 a. Buildings and structures.
  - 1. Bridges, including retaining walls and approaches, or permanent structures of brick, stone, concrete or metal, or
- 9 similar durable construction, 30 years.
- 2. Buildings, including the original furnishings and equipment therefor:
- 12 Class A: A building, of which all walls, floors, partitions,
- stairs and roof are wholly of incombustible material, except
- 14 the window frames, doors, top flooring and wooden handrails
- on the stairs, 40 years;
- 16 Class B: A building, the outer walls of which are wholly
- of incombustible material, except the window frames and
- doors, 30 years;
- 19 Class C: A building which does not meet the requirements
- of Class A or Class B, 20 years.
- 3. Buildings or structures acquired substantially recon-
- structed or additions thereto, one-half the period fixed in this
- subsection for such buildings or structures.
  - 4. Additional furnishings, five years.
- b. Marine improvements.
- 26 1. Harbor improvements, docks or marine terminals, 40
- 27 years

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- 28 2. Dikes, bulkheads, jetties or similar devices of stone,
- concrete or metal, 15 years; of wood or partly of wood, 10
- 30 years
- 31 c. Additional equipment and machinery.
- 32 1. Additional or replacement equipment and machinery, 15
- 33 years.
- 34 2. Voting machines, 15 years.
- 35 d. Real property.
- 36 1. Acquisition for any public purpose of lands or riparian
- 37 rights, or both, and the original dredging, grading, draining or
- 38 planting thereof, 40 years.
- 39 2. Improvement of airport, cemetery, golf course, park,
- 40 playground, 15 years.
- 41 3. Stadia of concrete or other incombustible materials, 20
- 42 years.
- e. Streets or thoroughfares.
- 1. Elimination of grade crossings, 35 years.
- 45 2. Streets or roads.

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Class A: Rigid pavement. A pavement of not less than eight inches of cement concrete or a six-inch cement concrete base with not less than three-inch bituminous concrete surface course, or equivalent wearing surface, 20 years.

Flexible pavement. A pavement not less than 10 inches in depth consisting of five-inch macadam base, three-inch modified penetration macadam and three-inch bituminous concrete surface course or other pavements of equivalent strength, in accordance with the findings of the American Association of State Highway Officials (AASHO) Road Test, 20 years.

Class B: Mixed surface-treated road. An eight-inch surface of gravel, stone or other selected material under partial control mixed with cement or lime and fly ash, six inches in compacted thickness with bituminous surface treatment and cover, 10 years.

Bituminous penetration road. A five-inch gravel or stone base course and a three-inch course bound with a bituminous or equivalent binder, 10 years.

Class C: Mixed bituminous road. An eight-inch surface of gravel, stone, or other selected material under partial control mixed with bituminous material one inch or more in compacted thickness, five years.

Penetration macadam road. A road of sand, gravel or water bound macadam, or surfacing with penetration macadam, five years.

3. Sidewalks, curbs and gutters of stone, concrete or brick, 10 years.

The period of usefulness in this subsection shall apply to construction and reconstruction of streets and thoroughfares.

- f. Utilities and municipal systems.
  - 1. Sewer system, whether sanitary or storm water, water supply or distribution system, 40 years.
  - 2. Electric light, power or gas systems, garbage, refuse or ashes incinerator or disposal plant, 25 years.
    - 3. Communication and signal systems, 10 years.
  - 4. House connections to publicly-owned gas, water or sewer systems from the service main in the street to the curb or property lines where not part of original installation, five years.
- 86 g. Vehicles and apparatus.
  - 1. Fire engines, apparatus and equipment, when purchased new, but not fire equipment purchased separately, 10 years.

- 2. Automotive vehicles, including original apparatus and equipment (other than passenger cars and stationwagons), when purchased new, five years.
  - 3. Major repairs, reconditioning or overhaul of fire engines and apparatus, which may reasonably be expected to extend for at least five years the period of usefulness thereof, five years.
- 94 h. The closure of a sanitary landfill facility utilized, owned or 95 operated by a county or municipality, 15 years; provided that the 96 97closure has been approved by the Board of Public Utilities and the 98 Department of Environmental Protection. For the purposes of this subsection "closure" means all activities associated with the 99 100 design, purchase or construction of all measures required by the 101 Department of Environmental Protection, pursuant to law, in 102 order to prevent, minimize or monitor pollution or health hazards 103 resulting from sanitary landfill facilities subsequent to the termina-104 tion of operations at any portion thereof, including, but not neces-105 sarily limited to, the costs of the placement of earthen or vegetative 106 cover, and the installation of methane gas vents or monitors and
- 107 leachate monitoring wells or collection systems at the site of any
  108 sanitary landfill facility.
  109 [h.]i. Any purpose, except vehicles, not included in the foregoing,
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  110 for which obligations may be issued, 15 years.
- 1 3. (New section) Any additional expenditures made by a county
- 2 or municipality to meet an increase in the rates or charges for solid
- 3 waste disposal at a sanitary landfill facility resulting from an order
- 4 issued by the Board of Public Utilities to finance the closure of the
- 5 facility, whenever the closure is approved by the Department of
- 6 Environmental Protection, shall, for the purposes of P. L. 1976,
- 7 c. 68 (C. 40A:4-45.1 et seq.), be considered an expenditure man-
- 8 dated by State law.

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1 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

### STATEMENT

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