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#### LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

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(Sports and Exposition Authority-add projects-baseball stadium,

aquarium and others)

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CHAPTER: 215

Bill No: \$2516

Sponsor(s): Orechio

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New Jersey. Legislature. Senate. State Government, Federal and Interstate Relations and Veterans Affairs Committee.

Public hearing on \$2516 and A3000, held 12-12-84. Trenton, 1984.

1 10. Section 17 of P. L. 1971, c. 137 (C. 5:10-17) is amended to 2 read as follows:

3 17. All counties and municipalities and other governmental subdivisions, all authorities, and all public departments, agencies and 4 5 commissions of the State, notwithstanding any contrary provision 6 of law, are hereby authorized and empowered to lease, lend, grant 7 or convey to the authority at its request upon such terms and con-8 ditions as the governing body or other proper authorities of such 9 counties, municipalities and governmental subdivisions, authorities 10 and departments, agencies or commissions of the State may deem reasonable and fair and without the necessity for any advertise-11 12 ment, order of court or other action or formality, other than the 13 authorizing ordinance of the governing body of the municipality, the authorizing resolution of the governing body of the county, or 14 the regular and formal action of any public body concerned, any 15 16 real property or interest therein which may be necessary or convenient to the effectuation of the purposes of the authority, includ-17 18 ing public highways and other real property already devoted to public use, provided that, as to the authority's project in the mead-19 owlands complex, such real property is located within the 750 acre 20 21 site authorized for [the] that project or upon a site outside of that 22 acreage, but immediately contiguous thereto or immediately across 23 any public road which borders that acreage. No property of the 24 State, other than meadowlands, riparian lands or lands under water 25and similar lands or interests therein referred to in Title 12, Com-26 merce and Navigation, and Title 13, Conservation and Develop-27 ment, of the Revised Statutes, as amended, shall be so granted, 28 leased or conveyed to the authority except upon payment to the 29 State of such price therefor as may be fixed by the State House **3**0 Commission.

11. This act shall take effect immediately.

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### STATEMENT

The bill permits the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority to acquire and utilize, in connection with the existing meadowlands complex which presently consists of not more than 750 acres, lands immediately contiguous to, or immediately across any public road that borders, the existing meadowlands complex.

This bill permits the authority to participate in ventures, either alone or in conjunction with others, for the establishment, development, acquisition, construction or operation of a baseball stadium

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outside of the meadowlands complex, but within the State of New Jersey.

This bill also permits the authority to participate, either alone or in conjunction with others, in the establishment, development, acquisition, construction or operation of an aquarium or racetrack facilities outside of the meadowlands complex, but within the State of New Jersey.

This bill further permits the authority to participate, either alone or in conjunction with others, in the establishment, development, acquisition, construction or operation of a convention center or hotel complex within the meadowlands complex or upon lands immediately contiguous to, or immediately across any public road that borders, the existing meadowlands complex.

This bill further permits the authority to participate, either alone or in conjunction with others, in the establishment, development, acquisition, construction or operation of lodging facilities within the meadowlands complex or upon lands immediately contiguous to, or immediately across any public road that borders, the existing meadowlands complex.

This bill further permits the authority to participate, either alone or in conjunction with others, in the ownership, management or promotion of events, exhibitions, teams, team franchises or membership in professional sports leagues.

This bill further permits the authority to participate, either alone or in conjunction with others, in the establishment, development, acquisition, construction or operation of facilities, within or without the meadowlands complex, that are related to, incidental to, necessary for, or complementary to, the accomplishment or purpose of any project of the authority.

With respect to revenues derived from the operation and ownership of the meadowlands complex, this bill further authorizes the authority, after it has paid all costs associated with the meadowlands complex (including payments required to be made pursuant to resolutions adopted in connection with the financing of the meadowlands complex) and prior to the deposit of any balance remaining into the General Fund, to use all or a portion of that balance to pay costs associated with the issuance by the authority of bonds or notes in connection with the financing of projects other than the meadowlands complex.

This bill further authorizes the Racing Commission to allot annually to the authority, in connection with any racetrack project other than the one located at the meadowlands complex, not less than that number of days for harness racing and for running

racing which shall have been determined by the authority, prior to the issuance of any bonds or notes for such project, to be necessary in order to secure such bonds or notes and provide for the payment of costs and expenses in connection with such project.

The projects authorized by this bill would be economically and culturally beneficial for the citizens of New Jersey. They would help New Jersey's economy and create new jobs. In addition, the ability of the authority to participate in projects for the purpose of producing revenue to defray the cost and expense of all authority projects would permit the authority to participate in beneficial projects which would not otherwise be feasible.

# SENATE STATE GOVERNMENT, FEDERAL AND INTERSTATE RELATIONS AND VETERANS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

## SENATE, No. 2516

with Senate committee amendments

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 12, 1984

This bill authorizes the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority to undertake the development of the following projects, either alone or in conjunction with others:

- 1. Expansion of existing facilities to land contiguous to or across any public road from the Meadowlands complex;
  - 2. A baseball stadium on a site outside the Meadowlands complex;
  - 3. Aquarium projects outside the Meadowlands complex;
- 4. An exposition center or hotel complex either within the Meadowlands complex or outside the complex but contiguous to or across any public road which borders the complex;
- 5. Racetrack facilities on a site outside the Meadowlands complex, including lodging facilities;
- 6. Events, expositions, teams, team franchises, or membership in professional sports leagues; and
- 7. Facilities that are related to, incidental to, necessary for, or complementary to, the accomplishment or purpose of any authorized project of the authority.

It is the intent of the committee that the authorization granted in paragraph 7 section 4 of the bill may be exercised only with respect to the projects specifically authorized in paragraphs 1 through 6 (of the bill) and that in no case shall any of the authorized projects include an arts and/or cultural center.

The authority is empowered to establish, develop, construct, operate, acquire, own, manage, promote, maintain, repair, reconstruct, restore, improve and otherwise effectuate the projects authorized.

To accomplish the development of these projects, the authority is empowered to create or form profit or not-for profit corporations; exercise, as limited by committee amendments, the right of eminent domain; make capital contributions to others for transportation and other facilities, and accommodations for the public's use of any of those projects; lease unoccupied parts of project sites for compatible pur-

poses, including hotels; and sell and dispose of any real or personal property, including unoccupied parts of project sites.

The provisions for the development of a baseball stadium and a racetrack include facilities for other athletic contests and sporting events, trade shows, exhibitions, spectacles, public meetings, entertainment events or other expositions.

The committee amended the bill to:

- 1. Prohibit eminent domain powers in connection with racetrack facilities outside the Meadowlands complex and in connection with team franchises or unspecified facilities;
  - 2. Change convention center to an exposition center;
  - 3. Provide for the authorization for more than one aquarium;
  - 4. Return revenue use language to its original form; and
- 5. Provide that the allotment to the authority of a minimum number of racing days at an acquired racetrack shall not be less than the number of days for harness racing or running racing as was last allotted by the Racing Commission.

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## SENATE, No. 2516

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

#### INTRODUCED DECEMBER 6, 1984

By Senators ORECHIO, RUSSO and DiFRANCESCO

Referred to Committee on State Government, Federal and Interstate
Relations and Veterans Affairs

An Act concerning the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority and amending P. L. 1971, c. 137.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
- 2 of New Jersey:
- 1 1. Section 2 of P. L. 1971, c. 137 (C. 5:10-2) is amended to read
- 2 as follows:
- 3 2. The Legislature hereby finds and declares that the general
- 4 welfare, health and prosperity of the people of the State will be
- 5 promoted by the holding of athletic contests, horse racing and other
- 6 spectator sporting events and of trade shows and other expositions
- 7 in the State; that in order to induce professional athletic teams,
- 8 particularly major league football and baseball teams, to locate
- 9 their franchises in the State, it is necessary to provide stadiums and
- 10 related facilities for the use of such teams, in addition to the facili-
- 11 ties for horse racing and other spectator sporting events and to
- 12 undertake the projects herein described; that such [stadiums and
- other facilities would also accommodate other events and serve other uses which projects would provide needed recreation,
- 15 forums and expositions for the public.
- 16 It is hereby further found and declared that additional facilities
- 17 are needed in the State to accommodate trade shows and other ex-
- 18 positions in order to promote industry and development in the State
- 19 and provide a forum for public events.
- 20 The Legislature further finds and declares that the location of
- 21 a sports and exposition complex in the Hackensack meadowlands
- 22 would stimulate the needed development of said meadowlands.

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 italies thus is new matter.

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

- \*—Senate committee amendments adopted December 13, 1984.
- \*\*-Senate amendments adopted December 13, 1984.

- 23 The Legislature has determined that to provide for the projects,
- 24 including the establishment and operation of the needed stadiums
- 25 and other facilities for the holding of such spectator sports, ex-
- 26 positions and other public events and uses, a corporate agency of
- 27 the State shall be created with the necessary powers to accomplish
- 28 these purposes.
- 29 The Legislature further finds that the authority and powers
- 30 conferred under this act and the expenditure of public moneys
- 31 pursuant thereto constitutes a serving of a valid public purpose
- 32 and that the enactment of the provisions hereinafter set forth is
- 33 in the public interest and is hereby so declared to be such as a
- 34 matter of express legislative determination.
- 2. Section 3 of P. L. 1971, c. 137 (C. 5:10-3) is amended to read
- 2 as follows:
- 3. The following words or terms as used in this act shall have
- 4 the following meaning unless a different meaning clearly appears
- 5 from the context:
- 6 a. "Act" means this New Jersey Sports and Exposition
- 7 Authority Law.
- 8 b. "Authority" means the New Jersey Sports and Exposition
- 9 Authority created by section 4 of this act.
- 10 c. "Bonds" means bonds issued by the authority pursuant to
- 11 the act.
- d. "Meadowlands complex" means the sports and exposition
- 13 project authorized by paragraph (1) of subsection a. of section 6
- 14 of the act.
- e. "Notes" means notes issued by the authority pursuant to
- 16 the act.
- 17 f. ["Project"] "Projects" means [the meadowlands complex]
- 18 and includes any project which the authority is authorized to under-
- 19 take pursuant to paragraphs 1 through 7 of subsection a. of section
- 20 6 of P. L. 1971, c. 137 (C. 5:10-6).
- 21 g. "State" means the State of New Jersey.
- 22 h. "Hackensack meadowlands" means the Hackensack Meadow-
- 23 lands District as delineated in P. L. 1968, c. 404, s. 4 (C. 13:17-4).
- 24 i. "Meadowlands Commission" means the Hackensack Meadow-
- 25 lands Development Commission created by P. L. 1968, c. 404.
- j. "Racing Commission" means the New Jersey Racing Commis-
- 27 sion created by P. L. 1940, c. 17.
- 28 k. "Credit agreement" \*[means]\* \*as used herein includes\* loan
- 29 agreement, revolving credit agreement, agreement establishing a
- 30 line of credit, letter of credit, reimbursement agreement, insurance
- 31 contract, surety bond, commitment to purchase bonds, purchase or

32 sale agreements, or commitments or other contracts or agreements

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- 33 authorized and approved by the authority in connection with the
- 34 authorization, issuance, security, or payment of bonds.
- 3. Section 5 of P. L. 1971, c. 137 (C. 5:10-5) is amended to read
- 2 as follows:
- 3 5. Except as otherwise limited by the act, the authority shall have
- 4 power:
- 5 a. To sue and be sued;
- 6 b. To have an official seal and alter the same at pleasure;
- 7 c. To make and alter bylaws for its organization and internal
- 8 management and for the conduct of its affairs and business;
- 9 d. To maintain an office at such place or places within the State
- 10 as it may determine;
- e. To acquire, hold, use and dispose of its income, revenues, funds
- 12 and moneys;
- 13 f. To acquire, lease as lessee or lessor, rent, lease, hold, use and
- 14 dispose of real or personal property for its purposes;
- 15 g. To borrow money and to issue its negotiable bonds or notes and
- 16 to secure the same by a mortgage on its property or any part
- 17 thereof, and to enter into any credit agreement, and otherwise to
- 18 provide for and secure the payment [thereof] of its bonds and
- 19 notes and to provide for the rights of the holders thereof;
- 20 h. To make and enter into all contracts, leases, and agreements
- 21 for the use or occupancy of the project its projects or any part
- 22 thereof or which are necessary or incidental to the performance
- 23 of its duties and the exercise of its powers under the act;
- 24 i. To make surveys, maps, plans for, and estimates of the cost of,
- 25 [the project] its projects;
- j. To establish, acquire, construct, lease the right to construct,
- 27 rehabilitate, repair, improve, own, operate, and maintain [the proj-
- 28 ect its projects, and let, award and enter into construction con-
- 29 tracts, purchase orders and other contracts with respect thereto in
- 30 such manner as the authority shall determine, subject only to the
- 31 provisions of [section 21 of the act] sections 1 through 3 of P. L.
- 32 1981, c. 447 (C. 5:10-21.1 through 5:10-21.3);
- 33 k. To fix and revise from time to time and charge and collect
- 34 rents, tolls, fees and charges for the use, occupancy or services of
- 35 [the project] its projects or any part thereof or for admission
- 36 thereto, and for the grant of concessions therein and for things
- 37 furnished or services rendered by the authority;
- 38 1. To establish and enforce rules and regulations for the use or
- 39 operation of [the project] its projects or the conduct of its activi-
- 40 ties, and provide for the policing and the security of [the project]
- 41 its projects;

42 m. To acquire in the name of the authority by purchase or other-43 wise, on such terms and conditions and in such manner as it may 44 deem proper, or, except with respect to the State, by the exercise of 45 the power of eminent domain, any land and other property, including land under water, meadowlands, and riparian rights, which 46 47 it may determine is reasonably necessary for [the project] any of its projects or for the relocation or reconstruction of any high-48 way by the authority and any and all rights, title and interest in **4**9 such land and other property, including public lands, reservations, 50 51 highways or parkways, owned by or in which the State or any county, city, borough, town, township, village, public corporation, 52 or other political subdivision of the State has any right, title or 53 interest, or parts thereof or rights therein and any fee simple 54 absolute or any lesser interest in private property, and any fee **5**5 56 simple absolute in, easements upon or the benefit of restrictions upon, abutting property to preserve and protect [the] any project\*, 5757A except that the authority shall not have the right to exercise the 57B power of eminent domain in connection with projects authorized 57c under paragraphs (5), (6), and (7) of subsection a. of section 6 of 57D P. L. 1971, c. 137 (C. 5:10-6)\*;

- n. To provide through its employees, or by the grant of one or more concessions, or in part through its employees and in part by grant of one or more concessions, for the furnishing of services and things for the accommodation of persons admitted to or using the project its projects or any part thereof;
- o. To hold and conduct horse race meetings for stake, purse or reward and to provide and operate a parimutuel system of wagering at such meetings but subject only to the provisions of section 7 of the act;
- p. To acquire, construct, operate, maintain, improve, and make capital contributions to others for, transportation and other facilities, services and accommodations for the public using the project public's use of its projects and to lease or otherwise contract for the operation thereof;
- q. Subject to any agreement with bondholders or noteholders, to invest moneys of the authority not required for immediate use, including proceeds from the sale of any bonds or notes, in such obligations, securities and other investments as the authority shall deem prudent;
- 77 r. To contract for and to accept any gifts or grants or loans of 78 funds or property or financial or other aid in any form from the 79 United States of America or any agency or instrumentality thereof, 80 or from the State or any agency, instrumentality or political sub-

- 81 division thereof, or from any other source and to comply, subject to
- 82 the provisions of the act, with the terms and conditions thereof;
- s. Subject to any agreements with bondholders or noteholders, to
- 84 purchase bonds or notes of the anthority out of any funds or money
- 85 of the authority available therefor, and to hold, cancel or resell such
- 86 bonds or notes;
- 87 t. To appoint and employ an executive director, who shall be the
- 88 chief executive officer, and such additional officers, who need not
- 89 be members of the authority, and accountants, attorney's, financial
- 90 advisors or experts and all such other or different officers, agents
- 91 and employees as it may require and to determine their qualifica-
- 92 tions, terms of office, duties and compensation, all without regard
- 93 to the provisions of Title 11, Civil Service, of the Revised Statutes,
- 94 provided that, it is the express intent of the Legislature that the
- 95 authority within its sole discretion shall utilize, to the fullest extent
- 96 feasible, the services of the officers, personnel and consultants of the
- 97 Meadowlands Commission in connection with its project in the
- 98 meadowlands complex;
- 99 u. To do and perform any acts and things authorized by the act
- 100 under, through, or by means of its officers, agents or employees or
- 101 by contracts with any person, firm or corporation;
- v. To procure insurance against any losses in connection with its
- 103 property, operations or assets in such amounts and from such in-
- 104 surers as it deems desirable;
- 105 w. To do any and all things, including, but not limited to, the
- 106 creation or formation of profit or not for profit corporations neces-
- 107 sary or convenient to carry out its purposes and exercise the powers
- 108 given and granted in the act; and
- 109 x. To determine the location, type and character of [the] a
- 110 project or any part thereof and all other matters in connection with
- 111 all or any part of [the] a project, notwithstanding any land use
- 112 plan, zoning regulation, building code or similar regulation hereto-
- 113 fore or hereafter adopted by the State, any municipality, county,
- 114 public body politic and corporate, including but not limited to the
- 115 Meadowlands Commission, or any other political subdivision of the
- 116 State, provided that the authority shall consult with the Meadow-117 lands Commission before making any determination as to the loca-
- 118 tion, type and character of [the] any project under the jurisdiction
- 119 of the Meadowlands Commission.
  - 4. Section 6 of P. L. 1971, c. 137 (C. 5:10-6) is amended to read
- 2 as follows
- 3 6. a. The authority, pursuant to the provisions of the act, is
- 4 hereby authorized and empowered [to], either alone or in conjunc-

5 tion with others, and provided that, in the case of an arrangement 6 with respect to any of the projects set forth in this section which

7 shall be in conjunction with others, the authority shall have suffi-

8 cient right and power to carry out the public purposes set forth in

9 this act:

10 (1) To establish, develop, construct, operate, acquire, own, man-11 age, promote, maintain, repair, reconstruct, restore, improve and 12otherwise effectuate, either directly or indirectly through lessees, 13 licensees or agents, a project to be located in the Hackensack mead-14 owlands upon a site not to exceed 750 acres and upon a site or sites 15 outside of that acreage, but either immediately contiguous thereto 16 or immediately across any public road which borders that acreage, 17 consisting of one or more stadiums, coliseums, arenas, pavilions, 18 stands, field houses, playing fields, recreation centers, courts, gym-19 nasiums, club houses, a race track for the holding of horse race 20 meetings, and other buildings, structures, facilities, properties and 21 appurtenances related to, incidental [and] to, necessary for, or complementary to, a complex suitable for the holding of athletic 22 contests or other sporting events, or trade shows, exhibitions, spec-2324 tacles, public meetings, entertainment events or other expositions, [and such project may include] including, but not limited to, drive-25 26ways, roads, approaches, parking areas, parks, recreation areas, [food] lodging facilities, vending facilities, restaurants, transpor-2728tation structures, systems and facilities, and equipment, furnish-**2**9 ings, and all other structures and appurtenant facilities, related to, incidental to, necessary for, or complementary to, the purposes 30 of [the] that project or any facility thereof. [As part of the proj-31 ect the authority is empowered to make capital contributions to 32others for transportation and other facilities, and accommodations 33 34 for the public using the project. Any part of the project site not occupied or to be occupied by facilities of the project may be leased 35 36 by the authority for purposes determined by the authority to be 37 consistent with or related to the purposes of the project, including 38 but not limited to hotels and other accommodations for transients and other facilities related or incidental to the project.] 39

40 (2) To establish, develop, construct, acquire, own, operate, man41 age, promote, maintain, repair, reconstruct, restore, improve and
42 otherwise effectuate, either directly or indirectly through lessees,
43 licensees or agents, a project, at a site within the State of New
44 Jersey but outside of the meadowlands complex, consisting of a
45 baseball stadium and other buildings, structures, facilities, prop46 erties and appurtenances related thereto, or incidental to, neces47 sary for, or complementary to, a complex suitable for the holding

48 of professional baseball games and other athletic contests or sporting events, or trade shows, exhibitions, spectacles, public meetings, 49 entertainment events or other expositions, such project to include 50driveways, roads, approaches, parking areas, parks, recreation 5152 areas, vending facilities, restaurants, transportation structures, **5**3 systems and facilities, and equipment, furnishings and all other structures and appurtenant facilities related to, incidental to, neces-54 sary for, or complementary to, the purposes of that project or any **5**5 facility thereof. 56

57 (3) To establish, develop, construct, acquire, own, operate, manage, promote, maintain, repair, reconstruct, restore, improve and 58 59 otherwise effectuate, either directly or indirectly through lessees,  $licensees\ or\ agents, \verb§*[a\ project,\ at\ a\ site]* \ \verb§*projects\ located* \ within$ 60 the State of New Jersey but outside of the meadowlands complex, 61consisting of \*[an aquarium]\* \*aquariums\* and the buildings, 62 63 structures, facilities, properties and appurtenances related thereto, or incidental to, necessary for, or complementary to, \* [that 64 aquarium \*\* \*those aquariums\*, such project to include driveways, 65 roads, approaches, parking areas, parks, recreation areas, vending 66 facilities, restaurants, transportation structures, systems and 67 68 facilities, and equipment, furnishings and all other structures and appurtenant facilities related to, incidental to, necessary for, or 69A complementary to, the purposes of that project or any facility 69в thereof.

70 (4) To establish, develop, construct, acquire, own, operate, manage, promote, maintain, repair, reconstruct, restore, improve and 71 72 otherwise effectuate, either directly or indirectly through lessees, licensees or agents, a project consisting of \*[a convention] \* \*an 73 exposition\* center or hotel complex, at a site \* within the State 74 of New Jersey and \* either (a) within the meadowlands complex 75 or (b) outside of the meadowlands complex, but either immediately 76 contiguous thereto or immediately across any public road which 77borders the meadowlands complex, including any buildings, struc-78 tures, properties and appurtenances related thereto, incidental 79 80 thereto, necessary therefor, or complementary thereto, such project to include driveways, roads, approaches, parking areas, parks, 81recreation areas, vending facilities, restaurants, transportation 82 83 structures, systems, and equipment, furnishings and all other structures and appurtenances related to, incidental to, necessary 84 for, or complementary to, the purposes of that project. 85

86 (5) To establish, develop, construct, acquire, own, operate, man-87 age, promote, maintain, repair, reconstruct, restore, improve and 88 otherwise effectuate, either directly or indirectly through lessees.

8 89 licensees or agents, projects consisting of (a) race track facilities 90located within the State of New Jersey but outside of the meadow-91 lands complex, (b) their contiguous properties and (c) their aux-92 iliary facilities, including, without limitation, pavilions, stands, field houses, club houses, training tracks for horses, race tracks for 93the holding of horse race meetings, fairgrounds, other exposition 94 facilities, and other buildings, structures, facilities, properties and 95 appurtenances related to, incidental to, necessary for, or comple-96 97 mentary to, a complex suitable for the holding of horse race meet-98 ings, other sporting events, or trade shows, exhibitions, spectacles, public meetings, entertainment events or other expositions, includ-99 100 ing, but not limited to, driveways, roads, approaches, parking 101 areas, parks, recreation areas, lodging facilities, vending facilities, 102 restaurants, transportation structures, systems and facilities, equip-103 ment, furnishings, and all other structures and appurtenant facili-104 ties related to, incidental to, necessary for, or complementary to, 105 the purposes of any of those projects or any facility thereof. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the acquisition of any 106 107 existing racetrack facility in and licensed by the State of New 108 Jersey shall be permitted on the condition that payments equivalent 109 to all municipal, school board and county taxes due to each entity 110 shall be paid by the authority to the extent, and in accordance with 111 the same payment schedule, as taxes would have been paid each 112 year as though the racetrack facility remained in private owner-113 ship. In the event the authority conveys lands or other parts of the 114 racetrack facility to others, the authority shall receive a reduction 115 of such payments commensurate with the amount required to be 116 paid by the subsequent owner of the lands and improvements dis-117 posed of by the authority. In addition, the authority shall be re-118 sponsible for paying all existing local franchise fees, license and 119 parking tax fees in effect at the time of the acquisition.

- 120 (6) To establish, develop, acquire, own, operate, manage, pro-121 mote and otherwise effectuate, in whole or in part, either directly 122 or indirectly through lessees, licensees or agents, projects consist-123 ing of events, expositions, teams, team franchises or membership 124 in professional sports leagues.
- 125 (7) To establish, develop, construct, acquire, own, operate, man-126 age, promote, maintain, repair, reconstruct, restore, improve and 127 otherwise effectuate, either directly or indirectly through lessees, 128 licensees or agents, projects consisting of facilities, at a site or sites 129 within the State of New Jersey and either within or without the 130 meadowlands complex, that are related to, incidental to, necessary 131 for, or complementary to, the accomplishment or purpose of any

- 132 project of the authority authorized by this section, including any
- 133 buildings, structures, properties and appurtenances related thereto,
- 134 incidental thereto, necessary therefor, or complementary thereto,
- 135 such projects to include driveways, roads, approaches, parking
- $136\ areas, parks, recreation\ areas, vending\ facilities, restaurants, trans-$
- 137 portation structures, systems, and equipment, furnishings and all
- 138 other structures and appurtenances related to, incidental to, neces-
- 139 sary for, or complementary to, the purposes of those projects.
- 140 b. The authority, pursuant to the provisions of the act, is autho-
- 141 rized (1) to make, as part of any of the projects, capital contribu-
- 142 tions to others for transportation and other facilities, and accom-
- 143 modations for the public's use of any of those projects, (2) to lease
- 144 any part of any of those project sites not occupied or to be occupied
- 145 by the facilities of any of those projects for purposes determined
- 146 by the authority to be consistent with or related to the purposes of
- 147 those projects, including but not limited to hotels and other ac-
- 148 commodations for transients and other facilities related to or in-
- 149 cidental to any of those projects, and (3) to sell or dispose of any
- 150 real or personal property, including, but not limited to, such por-
- 151 tion of the site of any of those projects not occupied or to be oc-
- 152 cupied by the facilities of any of those projects.
- 153 [b.] c. Revenues, moneys or other funds, if any, derived from the
- 154 operation or ownership of the meadowlands complex, including the
- 155 conduct of horse race meetings, shall be applied in accordance with
- 156 the resolution or resolutions authorizing or relating to the issuance
- 157 of bonds or notes of the authority to the following purposes and
- 158 in the following order:
- 159 (1) The costs of operation and maintenance of the meadowlands
- 160 complex and reserves therefor;
- 161 (2) Principal, sinking fund installments and redemption pre-
- 162 miums of and interest on any bonds or notes of the authority issued
- 163 for the purposes of the meadowlands complex or for the purpose
- 164 of refunding the same, including reserves therefor;
- 165 (3) The costs of any major or extraordinary repairs, renewals
- 166 or replacements with respect to the meadowlands complex or
- 167 incidental improvements thereto not paid pursuant to paragraph
- 168 (1) above, including reserves therefor;
- 169 (4) Payments required to be made pursuant to section 18b;
- 170 (5) Payments authorized to be made pursuant to section 18c;
- 171 (6) Payments required to be made in accordance with the resolu-
- 172 tion authorizing or relating to the issuance of bonds or notes of the
- 173 authority for the purposes of any project authorized by this 1984
- 174 amendatory act;

[(6)] (7) The balance remaining after application in accordance 175 176 with the above shall be deposited in the General State Fund, pro-177 vided that (a) there shall be appropriated for authorized State 178 purposes from the amounts so deposited that amount which shall 179 be calculated by the State Treasurer to be the debt service savings 180 realized with respect to the refinancing of the initial project as 181 defined in P. L. 1973, c. 286, § 1 (C. 5:10-14.1) at the meadowlands 182 complex by the issuance of bonds of the authority guaranteed by 183 the State,]\*, provided that (a) there shall be appropriated for 184 authorized State purposes from the amounts so deposited that 185 amount which shall be calculated by the State Treasurer to be the 186 debt service savings realized with respect to the refinancing of the 187 initial project as defined in P. L. 1973, c. 286,  $\S$  1 (C. 5:10-14.1) at 188 the meadowlands complex by the issuance of bonds of the authority 189 guaranteed by the State,\* and (b) after such appropriation, 190 \*(b) after such appropriation,\* 40% of [any balance remaining 191 from the \*[all] \* \*any balance remaining from the \* amounts so 192 deposited shall be appropriated to the Meadowlands Commission 193 for any of its purposes authorized by P. L. 1968, c. 404, and any 194 amendments or supplements thereto.

195 d. Revenues, moneys or other funds, if any, derived from the 196 operation or ownership of any project other than the meadowlands 197 complex shall be applied for such purposes, in such manner and 198 subject to such conditions as shall be provided in the resolution 199 authorizing or relating to the issuance of bonds or notes of the au-200 thority for the purposes of such project, and the balance, if any, 201 remaining after such application shall be deposited in the General 202 Fund.

5. Section 7 of P. L. 1971, c. 137 (C. 5:10-7) is amended to read as follows:

 $^{2}$ as follows: 3 7. a. The authority is hereby authorized, licensed and empowered to apply to the Racing Commission for a permit or permits to hold and conduct, [as part of the Meadowlands complex,] at any of the 5 projects set forth in paragraphs (1) and (5) of subsection a. of 7 section 6 of P. L. 1971, c. 137 (C. 5:10-6), horse race meetings for stake, purse or reward, and to provide a place or places of the race 8 9 meeting grounds or enclosure for wagering by patrons on the result of such horse races by the parimutuel system, and to receive charges 10 and collect all revenues, receipts and other sums from the owner-11 ship and operation thereof; provided that only the authority 1213 through its employees shall conduct such horse race meetings and 14 wagering and the authority is expressly prohibited from placing in the control of any other person, firm or corporation the conduct 15

of such horse race meetings, or wagering.

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b. Except as otherwise provided in this section, such horse race meetings and parimutuel wagering shall be conducted by the authority in the manner and subject to compliance with the standards set forth in P. L. 1940, c. 17 (C. 5:5–22 et seq.) and the rules, regulations and conditions prescribed by the Racing Commission thereunder for the conduct of horse race meetings and for parimutuel betting at such meetings.

24 c. Application for said permit or permits shall be on such forms 25 and shall include such accompanying data as the Racing Commission shall prescribe for other applicants. The Racing Commission 26 27 shall proceed to review and act on any such application within 30 days after its filing and the Racing Commission is authorized 28 29 in its sole discretion to determine whether a permit shall be granted 30 to the authority. If, after such review, the Racing Commission acts favorably on such application, a permit shall be granted to the 3132authority without any further approval and shall remain in force 33 and effect so long as any bonds or notes of the authority [issued 34 for the purposes of the meadowlands complex remain outstanding, the provision of any other law to the contrary notwithstanding. 35 36In granting a permit to the authority to conduct a horse race meet-37 ing, the Racing Commission shall not be subject to any limitation as to the number of tracks authorized for the conduct of horse race 38 39 meetings pursuant to any provision of P. L. 1940, c. 17 (C. 5:5-22 et seg.). Said permit shall set forth the dates to be allotted to the 40 authority for its initial horse race meetings. Thereafter application 41 **4**2 for dates for horse race meetings by the authority and the allotment 43 thereof by the Racing Commission, including the renewal of the same dates theretofore allotted, shall be governed by the applicable 44 provisions of P. L. 1940, c. 17 (C. 5:5-22 et seq.). Notwithstanding 45 the provision of any other law to the contrary, the Racing Commis-46sion shall allot annually to the authority (1) for the meadowlands 47 complex, in the case of harness racing, not less than 100 racing 48 49 days, and in the case of running racing, not less than 56 racing days, if and to the extent that application is made therefor, and (2) for 50any other project \* [set forth in paragraph (5) of subsection a. of 51section 6 of P. L. 1971, c. 137 (C. 5:10-6), not less than that number 52of days for harness racing and for running racing that shall have 53 been determined by the authority, prior to the issuance of any bonds 54 or notes for such project, to be necessary in order to secure such 55 bonds or notes and provide for the payment of costs or expenses in 56 connection with such project, including reserves therefor]\* 57 \*\* [\*which is set forth in paragraph (5) of subsection a. of section 58A 6 of P. L. 1971, c. 137 (C. 5:10-6), and which was previously oper58B ated by an operator other than the authority, not less than such 58C number of days for harness racing or running racing as was last 58D allotted by the Racing Commission to the prior operator\*\*\*]\*\*\*, \*\*\*[if 58E and to the extent that application is made therefor]\*\*\* \*\*which is 58F set forth in paragraph (5) of subsection a. of section 6 of P. L. 58G 1971, c. 137 (C. 5:10-6), and which was previously operated by a 58H permitholder other than the authority, racing days shall be limited, 58I in type of racing and amount of days, to those allotted by the Rac-58J ing Commission to the prior permit holder for the year 1985 as of 58K December 13, 1984; except that the authority may apply to the 58L Racing Commission for an extension of the number and type of 58M racing days pursuant to section 2 of P. L. 1984, c. . . . now pending 58N in the Legislature as Senate Bill No. 2543\*\*.

- d. No hearing, referendum or other election or proceeding, and no payment, surety or cash bond or other deposit, shall be required for the authority to hold or conduct the horse race meetings with parimutuel wagering herein authorized.
- e. The authority shall determine the amount of the admission fee for the races and all matters relating to the collection thereof.
- 65 f. Distribution of sums deposited in parimutuel pools to winners 66 thereof shall be in accordance with the provisions of section 44 of 67 P. L. 1940, c. 17 (C. 5:5-64) pertaining thereto. The authority shall 68 make disposition of the deposits remaining undistributed as follows:
  - (1) In the case of harness races:

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- 70 (a) Hold and set aside in an account designated as a special trust 71 account 1% of such total contributions in all pools to be used and 72 distributed as hereinafter provided and as provided in section 5 of 73 P. L. 1967, c. 40, for the following purposes and no other:
  - (i) 42½% thereof to increase purses and grant awards for starting horses as provided or as may be provided by rules of the New Jersey Racing Commission with payment to be made in the same manner as payment of other purses and awards;
  - (ii) 49% thereof for the establishment of a Sire Stakes Program for standardbred horses with payment to be made to the Department of Agriculture for administration as hereinbefore provided;
- (iii) 5½% thereof for contributions and awards designed to improve and promote the standardbred breeding industry in New Jersey through payment of awards to owners and breeders of New Jersey bred horses which are registered with the Standardbred Breeders' and Owners' Association of New Jersey and which earn portions of purses in open events on New Jersey tracks, and to owners of stallions posted on the

official stallions roster of the Standardbred Breeders' and Owners' Association of New Jersey which sire such registered

91 New Jersey bred money earners;

92 (iv) 3% thereof for other New Jersey horse breeding and 93 promotion conducted by the New Jersey Department of Agri-94 culture.

Payment of the sums held and set aside pursuant to subparagraphs (iii) and (iv) shall be made to the commission every seventh day of any and every race meeting in the amount then due as determined in the manner provided above, and shall be accompanied by a report under oath showing the total of all such contributions, together with such other information as the commission may re-

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102 (b) Distribute as purse money and for programs designed to aid
103 the horsemen and the Standardbred Breeders' and Owners' Asso-

- 103 the horsemen and the Standardbred Breeders' and Owners' Asso-104 ciation of New Jersey 5% of such total contribution. Expenditures 105 for programs designed to aid the horsemen and the Standardbred 106 Breeders' and Owners' Association of New Jersey shall not exceed 107 3.5% of the sum available for distribution as purse money. The 108 formula for distribution of the purse money as either overnight 109 purses or special stakes shall be determined by an agreement 110 between the Standardbred Breeders' and Owners' Association of 111 New Jersey and the authority. Notwithstanding the foregoing, for 112 pools where the patron is required to select two or more horses, 113 the authority shall distribute as purse money 5.5% of the total 114 contributions and for pools where the patron is required to select 115 three or more horses, the authority shall distribute as purse money 116 7% of the total contributions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, for 117 pools where a patron is required to select three or more horses, the 118 authority shall retain out of the 7% to be distributed as purse 119 money, a sum deemed necessary by the racing commission, for use 120 by the commission to finance a prerace blood testing program, and 121 such other testing programs which the commission shall deem 122 proper and necessary and which shall be subject to the regulation 123 and control of said commission.
- 124 (2) In the case of running races:
- 125 (a) Hold and set aside in an account designated as a special trust 126 account 15% of 1% of such total contributions to be used and 127 distributed as hereinafter provided and as provided in section 5 128 of P. L. 1967, c. 40, for the following purposes and no other:
- 129 (i) 10% of 1% thereof for contributions and awards designed 130 to improve and promote the thoroughbred breeding industry 131 in New Jersey through payment of awards to owners and

- breeders of registered New Jersey bred horses which earn por-
- tions of purses in open events on New Jersey tracks, and to
- owners of stallions posted on the official stallion rosters of the
- 135 Thoroughbred Breeders' Association of New Jersey which sire
- such registered New Jersey bred money earners;
- 137 (ii) 5% of 1% thereof for State horse breeding and develop-
- ment programs, research, fairs, horse shows, youth activities,
- promotion and administration.
- 140 (b) Distribute as purse money and for programs designed to aid
- 141 the horsemen and the New Jersey Horsemen's Benevolent and
- 142 Protective Association 4.24% of such total contributions. Expendi-
- 143 tures for programs designed to aid the horsemen and the New
- 144 Jersey Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association shall not
- 145 exceed 2.9% of the sum available for distribution as purse money.
- 146 The formula for distribution of the purse money as either over-
- 147 night purses or special stakes shall be determined by an agreement
- 148 between the New Jersey Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective
- 149 Association and the authority. Notwithstanding the foregoing, for
- 150 pools where the patron is required to select three or more horses,
- 151 the authority shall distribute as purse money 7.24% of the total
- 152 contributions.
- 153 (c) For pools where a patron is required to select three or more
- 154 horses, 50% of 1% of the total contributions shall be held and set
- 155 aside in the special trust account established pursuant to section
- 156 46 b. (1) (e) and 46 b. (2) (e) of P. L. 1940, c. 17 (C. 5:5-66).
- 157 Payment of the sums held and set aside pursuant to subpara-
- 158 graphs (a) and (c) of this subsection shall be made to the commis-
- 159 sion every seventh day of any and every race meeting in the amount
- 160 then due as determined in the manner provided above, and shall be
- 161 accompanied by a report under oath showing the total of all such
- 162 contributions, together with such other information as the commis-
- 163 sion may require.
- 164 In addition, as an initial payment to the State, an amount equal
- 165 to ½ of 1% of all parimutuel pools shall be deposited annually in
- 166 the General State Fund. All amounts remaining in parimutuel
- 167 pools, including the breaks, after such distribution and payments
- 168 shall constitute revenues of the authority. Except as otherwise
- 169 expressly provided in this section 7, the authority shall not be re-
- 170 quired to make any payments to the Racing Commission or others
- 171 in connection with contributions to parimutuel pools.
- 172 In the event that a written agreement between the authority and
- 173 the respective horsemen's associations shall require the distribution
- 174 of additional sums of money to increase purses or contributions to

- 175 the special trust accounts hereinabove provided or both, any such
- 176 distribution to be made in the year 1981 shall be made by the au-
- 177 thority only from, and to the extent of, available moneys from the
- 178 preceding year set aside for such purpose after application of the
- 179 authority's revenues, moneys or other funds as provided in sub-
- 180 section [b.] c. (1), (2), (3), (4) [and], (5), (6) and (7) of section
- 181 6 of P. L. 1971, c. 137.
- 182 g. All sums held by the authority for payment of outstanding
- 183 parimutuel tickets not claimed by the person or persons entitled
- 184 thereto within the time provided by law shall be paid to the Racing
- 185 Commission upon the expiration of such time without further
- 186 obligation to such ticketholder.
- 187 h. No admission or amusement tax, excise tax, license or horse
- 188 racing fee of any kind shall be assessed or collected from the au-
- 189 thority by the State of New Jersey, or by any county or munici-
- 190 pality, or by any other body having power to assess or collect
- 191 license fees or taxes.
- 192 i. Any horse race meeting and the parimutuel system of wager-
- 193 ing upon the result of horse races held as such race meeting shall
- 194 not under any circumstances, if conducted as provided in the act
- 195 and in conformity thereto, be held or construed to be unlawful,
- 196 other statutes of the State to the contrary notwithstanding.
- 197 j. Each employee of the authority engaged in the conducting of
- 198 horse race meetings shall obtain the appropriate license from the
- 199 Racing Commission subject to the same terms and conditions as is
- 200 required of similar employees of other permitholders. The Racing
- 201 Commission may suspend any member of the authority upon ap-
- 202 proval of the Governor and the license of any employee of the au-
- 203 thority in connection with the conducting of horse race meetings
- 204 pending a hearing by the Racing Commission for any violation of
- 205 the New Jersey laws regulating horse racing or any rule or regula-
- 206 tion of the commission. Such hearing shall be held and conducted 207 in the manner provided in said laws.
- 6. Section 8 of P. L. 1971, c. 137 (C. 5:10-8) is amended to read
- 2 as follows:
- 3 S. a. If the authority shall find it necessary in connection with
- 4 the undertaking of [the project] any of its project to change the
- 5 location of any portion of any public highway or road, it may con-
- 6 tract with any government agency [,] or public or private corpora-
- 7 tion, which may have jurisdiction over said public highway or road,
- 8 to cause said public highway or road to be constructed at such
- 9 location as the authority shall deem most favorable and, as to its
- 10 project in the meadowlands complex, in consultation with the Mead-

11 owlands Commission [shall deem most favorable]. The cost of 12 such reconstruction and any damage incurred in changing the 13 location of any such highway shall be ascertained and paid by the 14 authority as a part of the cost of [the] any project. Any public 15 highway affected by the construction of [the] a project may be 16 vacated or relocated by the authority in the manner now provided by law for the vacation or relocation of public roads, and any 17 18 damages awarded on account thereof shall be paid by the authority 19 as part of the cost of the project. In all undertakings authorized by this subsection the authority shall consult and obtain the approval 2021 of the New Jersey Department of Transportation. 22

b. In addition to the foregoing powers the authority and its 23 authorized agents and employees may enter upon any lands, waters 24 and premises for the purpose of making surveys, soundings, drill-25ings and examinations as it may deem necessary or convenient for 26the purposes of the act, all in accordance with due process of law, and such entry shall not be deemed a trespass nor shall an entry 27 for such purpose be deemed an entry under any condemnation 2829proceedings which may be then pending. The authority shall make 30 reimbursement for any actual damages resulting to such lands, 31waters and premises as a result of such activities.

32 c. The authority shall also have power to make reasonable reg-33 ulations for the installation, construction, maintenance, repair, renewal, relocation and removal of tracks, pipes, mains, conduits, 34 cables, wires, towers, poles and other equipment and appliances 35 36 (herein called "public utility facilities") of any public utility as defined in R. S. 48:2-13, in, on, along, over or under [the] a project. 37 38 Whenever the authority shall determine that it is necessary that any such public utility facilities which now are, or hereafter may be, 39 located in, on, along, over or under [the] a project shall be re-40 located in the project, or should be removed therefrom, the public 41 42 utility owning or operating such facilities shall relocate or remove the same in accordance with the order of the authority; provided, 43 however, that the cost and expenses of such relocation or removal, 44 including the cost of installing such facilities in a new location, or 45new locations, and the cost of any lands, or any rights or interests 46 in lands, and any other rights, acquired to accomplish such reloca-47 48 tion or removal, shall be ascertained and paid by the authority as a part of the cost of the any project. In case of any such relocation 49 or removal of facilities, as aforesaid, the public utility owning or 50operating the same, its successors or assigns, may maintain and 51 52 operate such facilities, with the necessary [appurtenance] appurtenances, in the new location or new locations, for as long a period, 53

54 and upon the same terms and conditions, as it had the right to 55 maintain and operate such facilities in their former location or 56 locations. In all undertakings authorized by this subsection the

authority shall consult and obtain the approval of the Public

58 Utilities Commission Board of Public Utilities.

7. Section 10 of P. L. 1971, c. 137 (C. 5:10-10) is amended to 2 read as follows:

10. a. The authority shall have the power and is hereby authorized 3 4 from time to time to issue its bonds or notes in such principal 5 amounts as in the opinion of the authority shall be necessary to 6 provide sufficient funds for any of its corporate purposes, including 7 the payment, funding or refunding of the principal of, or interest 8 or redemption premiums on, any bonds or notes issued by it whether the bonds or notes or interest to be funded or refunded 9 10 have or have not become due, the establishment or increase of such 11 reserves to secure or to pay such bonds or notes or interest thereon and all other costs or expenses of the agency incident to and 12 13 necessary to carry out its corporate purposes and powers.

14 b. Except as may be otherwise expressly provided in the act or by the authority, every issue of bonds or notes shall be general 15 obligations payable out of any revenues or funds of the authority, 16 17subject only to any agreements with the holders of particular bonds 18 or notes pledging any particular revenues or funds. The authority may issue such types or bonds or notes as it may determine, 19 20 including (without limiting the generality of the foregoing) bonds 21or notes as to which the principal and interest are payable (1) exclusively from the revenues and receipts of the part of [the] a 22 project financed with the proceeds of such bonds or notes; (2) ex-23 clusively from the revenues and receipts of certain designated parts 24of [the] a project whether or not the same are financed in whole 25or in part from the proceeds of such bonds or notes; or (3) from 26its revenues and receipts generally. Any such bonds or notes may 27 28 be additionally secured by a pledge of any grant, subsidy or contribution from the United States of America or any agency or in-29 strumentality thereof or the State or any agency, instrumentality 30 or political subdivision thereof, or any person, firm or corporation, 31 [or] a pledge of any income or revenues, funds or moneys of the 32 33 authority from any source whatsoever or from the proceeds of any credit agreement. 34

35 c. Whether or not the bonds and notes are of such form and 36 character as to be negotiable instruments under the terms of 37 Title 12A, Commercial Transactions, New Jersey Statutes, the 38 bonds and notes are hereby made negotiable instruments within the meaning of and for all the purposes of said Title 12A, subject only to the provisions of the bonds and notes for registration.

41 d. Bonds or notes of the authority shall be authorized by a 42resolution or resolutions of the authority and may be issued in 43 one or more series and shall bear such date, or dates, mature at 44 such time or times, bear interest at such rate or rates of interest 45 per annum which may be fixed or may change at such time and in accordance with a specified formula or method of determination, 46be in such denomination or denominations, be in such form, either 47 coupon or registered, carry such conversion or registration privi-48 leges, have such rank or priority, be executed in such manner, be **4**9 payable from such sources in such medium of payment at such 50 place or places within or without the State, [and] be subject to 51 52such terms of redemption (with or without premium) and contain such options or rights to tender bonds or notes for purchase or re-53 demption as such resolution or resolutions may provide. 54

e. Bonds or notes of the authority may be sold at public or private sale at such price or prices and in such manner as the authority shall determine. Except for any bonds of the authority which may hereafter be guaranteed by the State within the limitations of Section II of Article VIII of the Constitution, every bond shall mature and be paid not later than 40 years from the date thereof.

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72g. Except as otherwise provided by any law authorizing the guaranty of the State of bonds of the authority hereafter sub-73 74 mitted to the people pursuant to Section II of Article VIII of the Constitution and approved by a majority of the legally qualified 75voters of the State voting thereon, bonds and notes of the authority 76 issued under the provisions of the act shall not be in any way a debt 77 78 or liability of the State or of any political subdivision thereof other than the authority and shall not create or constitute any indebted-79 ness, liability or obligation of the State or of any such political 80 subdivision or be or constitute a pledge of the faith and credit of 81

- 82 the State or of any such political subdivision but all such bonds and
- 83 notes, unless funded or refunded by bonds or notes of the authority,
- 84 shall be payable solely from revenues or funds pledged or available
- 85 for their payment as authorized in the act. Except for bonds of
- 86 the authority which may hereafter be guaranteed by the State,
- 87 each bond and note shall contain on its face a statement to the
- 89 effect that the authority is obligated to pay the principal thereof
- 89 or the interest thereon only from revenues or funds of the
- 90 authority and that neither the State nor any political subdivision
- 91 thereof is obligated to pay such principal or interest and that
- 92 neither the faith and credit nor the taxing power of the State or any
- 93 political subdivision thereof is pledged to the payment of the
- 94 principal of or the interest on such bonds or notes.
- 95 h. All expenses incurred in carrying out the provisions of the act
- 96 shall be payable solely from revenues or funds provided or to be
- 97 provided under the provisions of the act and nothing in the act
- 98 shall be construed to authorize the authority to incur any indebted-
- 99 ness or liability on behalf of or payable by the State or any political
- 100 subdivision thereof except as otherwise provided by any law
- 101 authorizing the guaranty of the State of any bonds of the authority
- 102 hereafter submitted to the people pursuant to Section II of
- 103 Article VIII of the Constitution and approved by a majority of the
- 104 legally qualified voters of the State voting thereon.
- 105 i. The authority shall have the power to purchase bonds or notes
- 106 out of any funds available therefor. The authority may hold, cancel
- 107 or resell such bonds or notes subject to and in accordance with
- 108 agreements with holders of its bonds and notes.
- 109 j. The authority may issue temporary or interim bonds or notes,
- 110 pending the preparation of definitive bonds, exchangeable for de-
- 111 finitive bonds.
- 112 k. The authority, in connection with the authorization of bonds
- 113 or notes to be issued and sold from time to time, may delegate to
- 114 such officer or agent of the authority as the authority selects, the
- 115 power to determine the time and manner of sale, public or private,
- 116 the maturities and rate of interest which may be fixed or vary at
- 117 such time and in accordance with a specified formula or method of
- 118 determination; provided, however, that the amounts and maturities
- 119 of, and the interest rate on these bonds shall be within the limits
- 120 prescribed by the authority in its resolution delegating to that
- 121 officer or agent the power to authorize the sale and issuance of those
- 122 bonds or notes.
- 8. Section 11 of P. L. 1971, c. 137 (C. 5:10-11) is amended to
- 2 read as follows:

- 3 11. In any resolution of the authority authorizing or relating to
- 4 the issuance of any bonds or notes, the authority, in order to secure
- the payment of such bonds or notes and in addition to its other 5
- powers, shall have power by provisions therein which shall con-6
- stitute covenants by the authority and contracts with the holders
- 8 of such bonds or notes:
- 9 a. To pledge all or any part of its rents, fees, tolls, revenues or
- 10 receipts to which its right then exists or may thereafter come into
- 11 existence, and the moneys derived therefrom, and the proceeds of
- any bonds or notes; 12
- 13 b. To pledge any lease or other agreement or the rents or other
- revenues thereunder and the proceeds thereof; 14
- 15 c. To mortgage all or any part of its property, real or personal,
- 16 then owned or thereafter to be acquired;
- 17 d. To covenant against pledging all or any part of its rents, fees,
- tolls, revenues or receipts or its leases or agreements or rents or 18
- 19 other revenues thereunder or the proceeds thereof, or against
- 20 mortgaging all or any part of its real or personal property then
- 21 owned or thereafter acquired, or against permitting or suffering
- any lien on any of the foregoing; 22
- 23 e. To covenant with respect to limitations on any right to sell,
- lease or otherwise dispose of any project or any part thereof or any 24
- property of any kind; 25
- 26 f. To covenant as to any bonds and notes to be issued and the
- limitations thereon and the terms and conditions thereof and as to 27
- 28 the custody, application, investment, and disposition of the proceeds
- 29 thereof;
- g. To covenant as to the issuance of additional bonds or notes 30
- or as to limitations on the issuance of additional bonds or notes 31
- 32and on the incurring of other debts by it;
- h. To covenant as to the payment of the principal of or interest 33
- on the bonds or notes, or any other obligations, as to the sources 34
- and methods of such payment, as to the rank or priority of any 35
- such bonds, notes or obligations with respect to any lien or security 36
- or as to the acceleration of the maturity of any such bonds, notes or 37
- 38 obligations;
- i. To provide for the replacement of lost, stolen, destroyed or 39
- mutiliated bonds or notes; 40
- j. To covenant against extending the time for the payment of 41
- bonds or notes or interest thereon; 42
- k. To covenant as to the redemption or repurchase of bonds or 43
- notes and privileges of tender exchange thereof for other bonds or 44
- notes of the authority; 45

1. To covenant as to the rates of toll and other charges to be established and charged, the amount to be raised each year or other period of time by tolls or other revenues and as to the use and disposition to be made thereof;

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- 50 m. To covenant to create or authorize the creation of special 51 funds or moneys to be held in pledge or otherwise for construction, 52 operating expenses, payment or redemption of bonds or notes, 53 reserves or other purposes and as to the use, investment, and 54 disposition of the moneys held in such funds;
- 55 n. To establish the procedure, if any, by which the terms of any 56 contract or covenant with or for the benefit of the holders of bonds 57 or notes may be amended or abrogated, the amount of bonds or 58 notes the holders of which must consent thereto, and the manner 59 in which such consent may be given;
- o. To covenant as to the construction, improvement, operation or maintenance of its real and personal property, the replacement thereof, the insurance to be carried thereon, and the use and disposition of insurance moneys;
- p. To provide for the release of property, leases or other agreements, or revenues and receipts from any pledge or mortgage and to reserve rights and powers in, or the right to dispose of, property which is subject to a pledge or mortgage;
- q. To provide for the rights and liabilities, powers and duties arising upon the breach of any covenant, condition or obligation and to prescribe the events of default and the terms and conditions upon which any or all of the bonds, notes or other obligations of the authority shall become or may be declared due and payable before maturity and the terms and conditions upon which any such declaration and its consequences may be waived;
  - r. To vest in a trustee or trustees within or without the State such property, rights, powers and duties in trust as the authority may determine, including the right to foreclose any mortgage, and to limit the rights, duties and powers of such trustee;

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- s. To execute all mortgages, bills of sale, conveyances, deeds of trust and other instruments necessary or convenient in the exercise of its powers or in the performance of its covenants or duties;
- t. To pay the costs or expenses incident to the enforcement of such bonds or notes or of the provisions of such resolution or of any covenant or agreement of the authority with the holders of its bonds or notes;
- u. To limit the powers of the authority to construct, acquire or operate any structures, facilities or properties which may compete or tend to compete with [the project] any of the projects;

v. To limit the rights of the holders of any bonds or notes to enforce any pledge or covenant securing bonds or notes; and

91 w. To make covenants other than in addition to the covenants 92herein expressly authorized, of like or different character, and to 93 make such covenants to do or refrain from doing such acts and 94 things as may be necessary, or convenient and desirable, in order to better secure bonds or notes or which, in the absolute discretion 95 96 of the authority, will tend to make bonds or notes more marketable, notwithstanding that such covenants, acts or things may not be 97 98 enumerated herein.

9. Section 15 of P. L. 1971, c. 137 (C. 5:10-15) is amended to 2 read as follows:

3 15. The State of New Jersey does hereby pledge to and covenant 4 and agree with the holders of any bonds or notes issued pursuant to authority of the act that the State will not limit or alter the rights 5 6 or powers hereby vested in the authority to acquire, construct, main-7 tain, improve, repair and operate [the] a project in any way that would jeopardize the interest of such holders, or to perform and 8 9 fulfill the terms of any agreement made with the holders of such bonds or notes, or to fix, establish, charge and collect such rents, 10 fees, rates or other charges as may be convenient or necessary to 11 12 produce sufficient revenues to meet all expenses of the authority 13 and fulfill the terms of any agreement made with the holders of such bonds and notes, together with interest thereon, with interest 14 15 on any unpaid installments of interest, and all costs and expenses 16 in connection with any action or proceedings by or on behalf of such holders, until the bonds, together with interest thereon, are 17 18 fully met and discharged or provided for.

1 10. Section 17 of P. L. 1971, c. 137 (C. 5:10-17) is amended to 2 read as follows:

3 17. All counties and municipalities and other governmental subdivisions, all authorities, and all public departments, agencies and 4 commissions of the State, notwithstanding any contrary provision 5 of law, are hereby authorized and empowered to lease, lend, grant 6 or convey to the authority at its request upon such terms and con-7 ditions as the governing body or other proper authorities of such 9 counties, municipalities and governmental subdivisions, authorities 10 and departments, agencies or commissions of the State may deem 11 reasonable and fair and without the necessity for any advertisement, order of court or other action or formality, other than the 12 authorizing ordinance of the governing body of the municipality, 13 the authorizing resolution of the governing body of the county, or 14 the regular and formal action of any public body concerned, any

- 16 real property or interest therein which may be necessary or con-
- 17 venient to the effectuation of the purposes of the authority, includ-
- 18 ing public highways and other real property already devoted to
- 19 public use, provided that, as to the authority's project in the mead-
- 20 owlands complex, such real property is located within the 750 acre
- 21 site authorized for [the] that project or upon a site outside of that
- 22 acreage, but immediately contiguous thereto or immediately across
- 23 any public road which borders that acreage. No property of the
- 24 State, other than meadowlands, riparian lands or lands under water
- 25 and similar lands or interests therein referred to in Title 12, Com-
- 26 merce and Navigation, and Title 13, Conservation and Develop-
- 27 ment, of the Revised Statutes, as amended, shall be so granted,
- 28 leased or conveyed to the authority except upon payment to the
- 29 State of such price therefor as may be fixed by the State House
- 30 Commission.
- 1 11. This act shall take effect immediately \*\*but shall remain in-
- 2 operative until Senate Bill No. 2543 of 1984, P. L. 1984, c. is
- 3 enacted into law\*\*.