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ASSEMBLY, No. 3721

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED NOVEMBER 23, 1981

By Assemblymen VAN WAGNER and FLYNN

(Without Reference)

An Act to amend the "emergency transportation tax act," approved May 29, 1961 (P. L. 1961, c. 32) and amending P. L. 1970, c. 304 and P. L. 1978, c. 131.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
- 2 of New Jersey:
- 1 Section 9 of P. L. 1961, c. 32 (C. 54:8A-9) is amended to read
- 2 as follows:
- 3 9. (a) Any taxpayer may elect to deduct 10% of his gross income,
- 4 or \$1,000.00, whichever is less, in lieu of all deductions otherwise
- 5 permitted under this act. The deduction provided for by this sec-
- 6 tion shall become known as the "standard deduction."
- 7 For taxable years beginning in 1971, the standard deduction shall
- 8 be 13% of gross income or \$1,500.00, whichever is less; for taxable
- 9 years beginning in 1972, the standard deduction shall be 14% or
- 10 \$2,000.00, whichever is less; for taxable years beginning in 1973
- 11 the standard deduction shall be 15% or \$2,000.00, whichever is less;
- 12 [and] for taxable years beginning in 1978 [and thereafter] the
- 13 standard deduction shall be 16% or \$2,400.00, whichever is less; and
- 14 for taxable years beginning in 1981 and thereafter the standard
- 15 deduction shall be 17% or \$2,500.00, whichever is less.
- 16 A husband and wife shall not be entitled to a standard deduction
- 17 in an amount greater than one computed on their aggregate gross
- 18 income, whether they file separate or joint returns. If they file
- 19 separate returns, neither may elect the standard deduction unless
- 20 the other also so elects. If both so elect, either may take such
- 21 deduction, or they may divide it; except that for taxable years
- 22 beginning in 1971 the standard deductions shall be 13% of gross
- 23 income or \$1,500.00, whichever is less: for taxable years beginning
- 24 in 1972 the standard deduction shall be 14% or \$2,000.00, whichever
- 25 is less; for taxable years beginning in 1973 the standard deduction
- 26 shall be 15% or \$2,000.00, whichever is less; [and] for taxable

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

- 27 years beginning in 1978 [and thereafter] the standard deduction
- 28 shall be 16% or \$2,400.00, whichever is less; and for taxable years
- 29 beginning in 1981 and thereafter the standard deduction shall be
- 30 17% or \$2,500.00, whichever is less.
- 31 Such election may be changed for a taxable year after the filing
- 32 of the return, subject to regulations issued under this act. If a
- 33 taxpayer wishing to make such change has a spouse who filed a
- 34 separate return, the change shall not be allowed unless (1) such
- 35 spouse also makes a change consistent with the change desired by
- 36 the taxpayer and (2) both consent in writing to the assessment of
- 37 any additional tax resulting from such change without regard to
- 38 time limits otherwise preventing such assessment.
- 39 (b) Minimum New Jersey standard deduction. For taxable years
- 40 beginning in 1978 and thereafter:
- 41 (1) The New Jersey standard deduction of an individual who is
- 42 not married nor the head of the household nor a surviving spouse
- 43 shall be the amount determined under subsection (a) of this section
- or \$1,400.00, whichever is greater, except that for taxable years
- 45 beginning in 1981 and thereafter the minimum amount shall be
- 46 \$1,500.00;
- 47 (2) The New Jersey standard deduction of a husband and wife
- 48 whose New Jersey taxable income is determined jointly, or of the
- 49 head of a household, or of a surviving spouse, shall be the amount
- 50 determined under subsection (a) of this section or \$1,900.00, which-
- 51 ever is greater, except that for taxable years beginning in 1981 and
- 52 thereafter the minimum amount shall be \$2,000.00; and
- 53 (3) The aggregate New Jersey standard deductions of a husband
- 54 and wife whose New Jersey taxable incomes are determined sepa-
- 55 rately shall be the amount determined under subsection (a) of this
- 56 section or \$1,900.00, whichever is greater, except that for taxable
- 57 years beginning in 1981 and thereafter the minimum amount shall
- 58 be \$2,000.00 and such standard deductions may be taken by either
- 59 or divided between them as they may elect.
- 2. Section 10 of P. L. 1961, c. 32 (C. 54:8A-10) is amended to
- 2 read as follows:
- 3 10. (a) Each taxpayer is allowed the following exemptions with
- 4 respect to net income:
- 5 For each taxpayer, \$650.00; for the taxpayer's spouse, if tax-
- 6 payer does not file a joint return and if such spouse has no gross
- 7 income for the eligibility year and is not a dependent of another
- 8 taxpayer, an additional \$650.00; for each taxpayer who is at least
- 9 65 years of age or over at the close of his taxable year; an addi-
- 10 tional \$650.00, and for taxpayer's spouse under the same conditions

- 11 and if the initial \$650.00 exemption is allowable, an additional
- 12 \$650.00; for each taxpayer who is blind at the close of his taxable
- 13 year, an additional \$650.00, and for taxpayer's spouse under the
- 14 same conditions and if the initial \$650.00 exemption is allowable,
- 15 an additional \$650.00. Blindness shall be deemed to exist when
- 16 central visual acuity in the better eye does not exceed 20/200 with
- 17 correcting lenses, or when the widest diameter of the visual field
- 18 subtends an angle of not more than 20 degrees:
- 19 For each dependent whose entire gross income for the eligibility
- 20 year is less than \$750.00, or who is taxpayer's child or stepchild and
- 21 has not attained age 19 at the close of the eligibility year or is a
- 22 student: \$650.00.
- 23 For taxable years beginning in 1979, such exemption shall be
- 24 \$700.00, [and] for taxable years beginning in 1980 [and thereafter]
- 25 such exemption shall be \$750.00, and for taxable years beginning in
- 26 1982 and thereafter such exemption shall be \$800.00.
- 27 With respect to all taxable years beginning on or after January 1,
- 28 1973, if (1) the taxpayer's gross income as defined in section 7 of
- 29 P. L. 1961, c. 32 (C. 54:8A-7), is exceeded by (2) his entire gross
- 30 income by more than \$100.00, his exemptions allowed in this section
- 31 shall be limited by the percentage which (1) is of (2). The manner
- 32 for determining a taxpayer's entire gross income shall be provided
- 33 by regulation. Such regulations may authorize the use of federal
- 34 adjusted gross income for this purpose.
- 35 (b) Husband and wife. For a husband and wife who have elected
- 36 to file separate New Jersey returns on a single form pursuant to
- 37 section 44 (b) of P. L. 1961, c. 32 (C. 54:8A-44 (b)), the limitation
- 38 under subsection (a) of this section shall be determined by reference
- 39 to (1) their total New Jersey gross incomes and (2) the combined
- 40 entire gross income of the husband and wife.
- 1 3. Section 36 of P. L. 1961, c. 32 (C. 54:8A-36) is amended to
- 2 read as follows:
- 3 36. (a) The Legislature hereby finds and determines that to
- 4 permit taxpayers under this act to compute their gross income for
- 5 tax purposes from the federal adjusted gross income figure used in
- 6 their tax returns to the Federal Government will reduce the cost
- 7 and simplify the administration of this act, and will simplify the
- 8 preparation of State income tax returns by taxpayers. The Legisla-
- 9 ture further finds and determines that such method of computing
- gross income will not materially reduce and may increase the amount of revenue derived with respect to this act; and, therefore,
- amount of revenue derived with respect to this act; and, therefore,
- 12 directs that each taxpayer be permitted, as an alternative to the

- method prescribed by section 32 of this act, to compute his gross income as provided in subsection (b) of this section.
- 15 (b) A taxpayer computing his gross income under the provisions 16 of this subsection shall:
- 17 (1) Determine the net amount of income, gain, loss and deduction 18 entering into his federal adjusted gross income for the taxable year 19 which is derived from sources within his source state, including:
- 20 (A) His distributive share of partnership income, gain, loss 21-22 and deduction derived from sources within his source state, and
- 23 (B) His share of estate and trust income, gain, loss and de-24 duction derived from sources within his source state.

- (2) Add to such amount the following types of income and gain derived from the sources of income and gain listed below:
 - (A) Interest income from the obligations of any state or political subdivision thereof except where, by the laws of such state, its own taxpayers are exempted from taxation with respect to such interest income, subject to the provisions of section 33;
 - (B) Interest or dividend income from the obligations or securities of any authority, commission or instrumentality of the United States, which the laws of the United States exempt from federal income taxation, but not from State income taxation, subject to the provisions of section 33;
 - (C) Amounts deductible with respect to income taxes imposed by this State or any other taxing jurisdiction in determining federal adjusted gross income unless such amounts are credited against federal income tax; and
 - (D) Amounts deductible with respect to interest on indebtedness which is incurred or continued in order to purchase or retain securities or obligations the income from which is exempt from tax under this act, subject to the provisions of section 33;
 - (E) In the case of a taxpayer who has deducted \[\frac{1}{2} \] of the amount by which net long-term capital gain exceeds net short-term capital loss for the taxable year, \(\frac{1}{5} \] a percentage of a net capital gain pursuant to section 1202 of the Internal Revenuc Code, the excess (if any) of the amount so deducted over 60% of such net capital gain \[\frac{1}{5} \].
- (3) Subtract from such net amount the following types of income and gain derived from the sources of income and gain listed below:
- (A) Interest income from obligations of the United States and its possessions to the extent that such interest is includible in gross income for federal income tax purposes:

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- (B) Interest or dividend income from the obligations or securities of any authority, commission or instrumentality of the United States, to the extent that such amounts of income are includible in gross income for federal income tax purposes, and exempt from State income taxation under the laws of the United States;
 - (C) Interest or dividend income from obligations or securities to the extent that such income is exempted from taxation by the laws of this State authorizing the issuance of the underlying obligations and securities and includible in gross income for federal income tax purposes;
 - (D) The amount of any refund or credit for overpayment of income taxes imposed by this State or any other taxing jurisdiction, to the extent that such refund is includible in gross income for federal income tax purposes.
- 72 (4) There may be provided by regulation such modifications as 73 shall be necessary to insure that only that portion of the taxpayer's 74 federal adjusted gross income which is derived from sources within 75 his source state shall be included in his gross income for purposes 76 of this act.
- (c) A taxpayer who computes his gross income in accordance with the provisions of this section shall not be entitled to the deductions set forth by section 35 (a) but, in lieu of the standard deduction, shall be permitted the deductions in sections 35 (b) and 37 of this act.
 - (d) The amount of the gross income of a taxpayer computed in accordance with the provisions of this section shall be conclusively presumed by the Division of Taxation to be the same as such taxpayer's gross income would have been if computed in accordance with the provisions of section 32 except that if the amount of a taxpayer's federal adjusted gross income or federal items of tax preference is changed or corrected by the taxpayer or the United States Internal Revenue Service or other competent authority, or as the result of a renegotiation of a contract or subcontract with the United States, the taxpayer shall report such change or correction in federal taxable income or federal items of tax preference within 90 days after the final determination of such change, correction, or renegotiation, or as otherwise required by regulation, and shall concede the accuracy of such determination or state wherein it is erroneous. Any taxpayer filing an amended federal income tax return shall also file within 90 days thereafter an amended return under this act, and shall give such information as the Division of Taxation may require. There may be provided by regulation such

100 exceptions to the requirements of this section as may be necessary 101 to carry out the purposes of this section.

- 4. Section 39 of P. L. 1961, c. 32 (C. 54:8A-30) is amended to read 2 as follows:
- 3 39. (a) The net capital gain or loss of a taxpayer shall be com-
- 4 puted by totaling the gains from sales or other dispositions during
- 5 the taxable year of capital assets having an actual situs within the
- 6 source state and subtracting therefrom the losses from sales or
- 7 other dispositions of capital assets having an actual situs in the
- 8 source state.
- 9 (b) (1) In any taxable year in which a taxpayer has a net capital
- 10 loss such loss shall be allowed as a deduction from gross income only
- 11 to the extent of \$1,000.00 or the taxpayer's net income whichever is
- 12 lower; provided, however, that with respect to taxable years
- 13 beginning after 1978 a loss shall be allowed as a deduction from
- 14 gross income only to the extent of \$3,000.00 or the taxpayer's net
- 15 income, whichever is lower.
- 16 (2) Subject to the limitation of paragraph (1) hereof, if for
- 17 any taxable year the taxpayer has a net capital loss, the amount
- 18 thereof shall be treated as a capital loss and deductible from gross
- 19 income in each of the succeeding taxable years to the extent that
- 20 such amount exceeds the total of any net capital gains of any
- 21 taxable years intervening between the taxable year in which the
- 22 net capital loss arose and such succeeding taxable year. For pur-
- 23 poses of this section, a net capital gain shall be computed without
- 24 regard to such net capital loss or to any net capital losses arising
- 25 in any such intervening taxable years.
- 26 (c) In any taxable year in which net capital gain exceeds the
- 27 net capital loss, 40% of the amount of excess shall be a deduction
- 28 from gross income; provided, however, that in any taxable year
- 29 commencing on and after January 1, 1982 in which net capital gain
- 30 exceeds the net capital loss, 60% of the amount of such excess shall
- 31 be a deduction from gross income.
- 5. Section 10 of P. L. 1970, c. 304 (C. 54:8A-6.2) is amended to
 - 2 read as follows:
- 3 (a) The minimum taxable income shall be the sum of the items
- 4 of tax preference, as described in subsection (b) of this section,
- 5 reduced (but not below zero) by the aggregate of the following:
- 6 (1) The applicable specific deduction described in subsection (c) 7 of this section;
- 8 (2) The tax determined under subsection (b) or (c) of section
- 9 6 of P. L. 1961, c. 32 (C. 54:8A-6), as may apply, for the taxable
- 10 year, reduced by the sum of the credits allowable under [section 7]

- of this amendatory and supplementary act subsection b. of section 12 7 of P. L. 1978, c. 131 (C. 54:8A-15.1); and
- 13 (3) To the extent that the sum of the items of tax preference 14 exceeds the applicable specific deduction described in subsection
- 15 (c) of this section plus the tax described in paragraph 2 above, the
- 16 amount of any net operating loss of the taxpayer, determined as
- 17 provided in subsection (b) (5) of section 35 (C. 54:8A-35), which
- 18 remains as a net operating loss carryover to a succeeding taxable
- 19 year. In such case, however, the amount of such net operating loss
- 20 used to reduce the sum of the items of tax preference shall be
- 21 treated as an item of tax preference in the next succeeding taxable
- 22 years, in order of time, to the extent that such net operating loss
- 23 carryover reduces taxable income.
- 24 (b) For purposes of this act, the term "items of tax preference"
- 25 shall mean the federal items of tax preference, as defined in the
- 26 laws of the United States, derived from or connected with New
- 27 Jersey sources, for the taxable year, with the modifications as may
- 28 be prescribed by regulations of the Division of Taxation which
- 29 relate to income derived from or connected with New Jersey
- 30 sources.
- 31 (1) The federal items of tax preference for amortization of
- 32 certified pollution control facilities shall be excluded from the com-
- 33 putation of items of tax preference with respect to industrial waste
- 34 treatment facilities and air pollution control facilities which qualify.
- 35 (2) The federal items of tax preference with respect to depletion
- 36 shall be excluded from the computation of items of tax preference.
- 37 (3) The federal item of tax preference for capital gains shall be
- 38 computed by subtracting from such tax preference item [one-fifth 39 of the net long-term capital gain deduction] an amount sufficient
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- 40 (if necessary) to reduce such tax preference item to 60% of net
- 41 capital gains.
- 42 (4) The federal item of tax preference for adjusted itemized
- $43 \quad deductions \ shall \ be \ computed \ as \ if \ the \ required \ reduction \ of \ federal$
- 44 adjusted gross income by the amount of the taxpayer's federal
- 45 deduction for state and local taxes did not include any amount in-
- 46 cludible as a modification reducing federal itemized deductions pur-
- 47 suant to subparagraph (A) of paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of
- 48 section 37 of P. L. 1961, c. 32 (C. 54:8A-37).
- 49 (c) Specific deduction. An amount which bears the same ratio to
- 50 \$5,000.00, or \$2,500.00 in the case of a married individual filing a
- 51 separate return, as his items of tax preference computed under
- 52 subsection (b) of this section bear to his total federal items of tax
- 53 preference.

- 54 (d) (Deleted by amendment.) P. L. 1972, c. 12, section 3.
- 6. Section 6 of P. L. 1978, c. 131 (C. 54:8A-6.4) is amended to
- 2 read as follows:
- 3 6. Maximum tax rate on personal service income. (a) If for any
- 4 taxable year beginning in 1978 and thereafter an individual has
- 5 personal service entire net income which exceeds the amount of
- 6 entire net income specified in paragraph (1) of this subsection,
- 7 the tax determined pursuant to subsection 6(c) of P. L. 1961, c. 32
- 8 (C. 54:8A-6(c)) for such year shall be the sum of:
- 9 (1) The tax determined by subsection 6(c) of P. L. 1961, c. 32
- 10 (C. 54:8A-6(c)) on the highest amount of entire net income on
- 11 which the rate of tax does not exceed 10%, provided, however, that
- 12 for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1978 and before
- 13 January 1, 1980, it shall be the tax determined by subsection 6(c)
- 14 of P. L. 1961, c. 32 (C. 54:8A-6(c)) on the highest amount of entire
- 15 net income on which the rate of tax does not exceed 12%, and pro-
- 16 vided further that for taxable years beginning on or after January
- 17 1, 1980 and on or before January 1, 1981, it shall be the tax deter-
- 18 mined on the highest amount of entire net income on which the rate
- 19 of tax does not exceed 11%.
- 20 (2) 10% of the amount by which his personal service entire
- 21 net income exceeds the amount of entire net income specified in
- 22 paragraph (1) of this subsection, provided, however, that for tax-
- 23 able years beginning on or after January 1, 1978 and before Janu-
- 24 ary 1, 1980, the rate in this paragraph shall be 12% and that for
- 25 taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1980 and before
- 26 January 1, 1981, the rate in this paragraph shall be 11%, and
- 27 (3) The excess of the tax determined under section 6(c) of P. L.
- 28 1961, c. 32 (C. 54:8A-6(c)), without regard to this section, over the
- 29 tax so determined with reference solely to his personal service
- 30 entire net income.
- 31 (b) For purposes of this section the term "personal service in-
- 32 come" means items of income includible as personal service income
- 33 for purposes of section 1348 of the Internal Revenue Code; pro-
- 34 vided, however, that notwithstanding the provisions of such section
- 35 of the Internal Revenue Code to the contrary with respect to the
- 36 filing of returns by married individuals, the provisions of this
- 37 section of this act shall be applicable in the case of a husband and
- 38 wife who file separate New Jersey tax returns (whether or not on a
- 39 single form).
- 40 (c) The personal service entire net income of an individual is
- 41 the excess of:

- **4**2 (1) The amount which bears the same ratio (but not in excess of **4**3 100%) to his entire net income as his personal service gross income
- 44 bears to his entire gross income, over
- 45 (2) The sum of his items of tax preference, as defined in this act,
- 46 other than the item of tax preference for capital gains, for the
- 47 taxable year.
- 48 For purposes of paragraph (1) of this subsection, the term
- "personal service gross income" means personal service income 49
- reduced by any deductions allowable under section 62 of the 50
- Internal Revenue Code which are properly allocable to or charge-51
- 52able against such personal service income.
- 7. Section 7 of P. L. 1978, c. 131 (C. 54:8A-15.1) is amended to 1.
- 2 read as follows:
- 3 7. a. Household credit. (1) For taxable years beginning on and
- after January 1, 1978, a credit shall be allowed against the tax im-4
- posed by subsection 6(c) of P. L. 1961, c. 32 (C. 54:8A-6 (c)). The
- credit, computed as described in paragraph (2) of this subsection, 6
- shall not exceed the tax imposed by subsection 6(c) of P. L. 1961, 7
- c. 32 (C. 54:8A-6(c)) for the taxable year, reduced by the credits 8
- permitted under subsection (b) of this section and section 16 of 9
- 10 P. L. 1961, c. 32 (C. 54:8A-16).
- (2) The amount of the credit allowed pursuant to this subsection 11
- for taxable years beginning prior to January 1, 1982, shall be 12
- determined in accordance with the following table: 13

		The credit
	If household gross income is	shall be
14	Less than \$5,000.00	\$65.00
15	\$5,000.00 but less than \$6,000.00	\$50.00
16	\$6,000.00 but less than \$7,000.00	\$40.00
17	\$7,000.00 but less than \$25,000.00	\$35.00
18	The amount of the credit allowed pursuant to this su	ubsection for

- taxable years beginning in 1982 and thereafter shall be determined 19
- in accordance with the following table:

21	If household gross income is Less than \$5,000.00	The credit shall be \$70.00
22	\$5,000.00 but less than \$6,000.00	55.00
23	\$6,000.00 but less than \$7,000.00	45.00
24	\$7,000.00 but less than \$25,000.00	40.00

- (3) For the purposes of this subsection: 25
- (A) "Household gross income" shall mean the aggregate 26entire gross income of a household, as the term household is 27 defined in subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, for the taxable 28

year, plus the aggregate entire minimum taxable income of that household.

- (B) "Household" means a husband and wife, a head of a household, a surviving spouse, or an individual who is not married nor the head of a household nor a surviving spouse nor a taxpayer with respect to whom a deduction under subsection (c) of section 151 of the Internal Revenue Code is allowable to another taxpayer for the taxable year.
- (C) "Household gross income of a husband and wife" shall be the aggregate of their entire gross incomes for the taxable year plus the aggregate of their entire minimum taxable incomes irrespective of whether joint or separate tax returns are filed. Provided, however, that a husband or wife filing a separate New Jersey tax return shall be permitted one-half of the credit otherwise allowed his or her household, except as limited by paragraph (1) of this subsection.
- (D) "Household gross income" shall be computed in all cases to reflect the entire gross income from all sources of each member of the household for the entire taxable year.
- (E) If a taxpayer changes his status during his taxable year from resident to nonresident, or from nonresident to resident, the household credit shall be prorated to reflect the period that the taxpayer was subject to tax under this act. In the case of a husband and wife, if either or both changes his or her status from resident to nonresident or from nonresident to resident and separate returns are filed, the credit computed for the entire year shall be divided first as provided in subparagraph (C) of this paragraph and then prorated according to each period that the taxpayer was subject to tax under this act.
- b. Credit for certain household and dependent care services necessary for gainful employment.
- (1) For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 1977, a taxpayer shall be allowed a credit, to be computed as hereinafter provided, against the tax imposed by subsection 6(b) or 6(c) of P. L. 1961, c. 32 (C. 54:8A-6(b) or 6(c)) of this act. Except as provided below, the amount of the credit shall be 20% of the credit allowed such taxpayer pursuant to the provisions of section 44A of the Internal Revenue Code for the same taxable year. The amount of such credit shall not exceed the tax imposed by subsection 6(b) or 6(c) of P. L. 1961, c. 32 (C. 54:8A-6(b) or 6(c)), as may apply, of this act, for the taxable year, reduced by the credit permitted under section 16 of P. L. 1961, c. 32 (C. 54:8A-16). for the contribution $\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{R}^2}$ and $\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{R}^2}$ in $\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{R}^2}$ in $\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{R}^2}$

- 71 (2) In the case of a husband and wife who file a joint federal 72 return, but who elect to determine their New Jersey taxes sepa-73 rately, the credit allowed pursuant to this subsection may only be 74 applied against the tax imposed on the spouse with the lower 75 entire net income computed without regard to such credit.
- (3) Any taxpayer who is otherwise eligible to take the credit permitted by this subsection shall be permitted to take the full amount of such credit except that if (a) his gross income, as defined in section 7 of P. L. 1961, c. 32 (C. 54:8A-7), is exceeded by (b) his entire gross income by more than \$100.00, his credit shall be limited to the amount which represents the same percentage of the total allowable credit which (a) is of (b).
- For a husband and wife whose federal taxable income is deter-83 mined on a joint return but whose New Jersey entire net incomes 84 are determined separately on a single form, the limitation con-85 tained in this subparagraph shall be determined by reference to 86 87 (a) the total of their gross incomes as defined in section 7 of P. L. 1961, c. 32 (C. 54:8A-7) and (b) the joint entire gross income they 88 would be required to report if both were determining their tax on 89 their joint entire gross income. 90
 - 8. This act shall take effect immediately.

STATEMENT

This bill would amend the Emergency Transportation Tax Act to conform it to recent amendments which were enacted into law under the New York State Personal Income Tax Law.

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A-3132, sponsored by Assemblyman Francis J. McManimon (D-Mercer), permitting a member of the Police and Firemen's Retirement System to borrow against his accumulated deductions after the age of 55. Members are currently prohibited from borrowing against their deductions after the age of 55.

A-3398, sponsored by Assemblyman Richard Van Wagner (D-Monmouth), clarifying current law to permit school board members for regional districts to take office the first week following their election. This bill clarifies the intention of a recently enacted law.

A-3469, sponsored by Assemblyman Thomas A. Gallo (D-Hudson), permitting the Commissioner of Banking stand-by authority to establish additional reserve requirements for savings banks in New Jersey chartered by the State.

A-3470, also sponsored by Assemblyman Gallo, is identical to the above mention A-3469, but applies to stand-by authority for commercial banks.

A-3721, also sponsored by Assemblyman Van Wagner, amending the "Emergency Transportation Tax Act" which taxes New York State residents on income earned in New Jersey for the purpose of defraying the costs of public transportation between the two states. Since the passage of the New York State personal income tax in 1961, New Jersey's tax on New Yorkers has been equal to the New York tax on individuals.

This bill offers amendments to conform the New Jersey tax with recent amendments to the New York law: standard deductions, personal exemption allowances, and household credits would be increased, for example.

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