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CHAPTER 10 LAWS OF N. J. 19.77 APPROVED 2-3-77

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SENATE, No. 1657

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED SEPTEMBER 16, 1976

By Senator MERLINO

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STATEMENT

This amendment to the act imposing limits on expenditures by counties and municipalities would except emergency appropriations to meet contract obligations with other counties, municipalities, school districts or authorities, such as sewer and utility authorities, to meet deficits in income or revenues for operating and debt service costs.

The aforementioned contract provisions are a main strength and point of reliance by holders of revenue boards of local authorities. The exception proposed by this bill directly affects the marketability of authority bonds.

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with Assembly committee amendment

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS TO

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Amend page 2, section 1, line 34, after "parking", insert ", housing". Amend page 3, section 2, line 25, after "parking", insert ", housing".

ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1657

[Official Copy Reprint] with Assembly committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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- 35 or any similar purpose, or payments on account of debt service
- 36 therefor*, between a municipality and any other municipality,
- 37 county, school or other district, agency, authority, commission,
- 38 instrumentality, public corporation, body corporate and politic or
- 39 political subdivision of this State.
- 2. Section 4 of P. L. 1976, c. 68 (C. 40A:4-45.4) is amended to
- 2 read as follows:
- 3 4. In the preparation of its budget, a county may not increase
- 4 the county tax *[levies]* *levy* to be apportioned among its con-
- 5 stituent municipalities in excess of 5% of the previous year's
- 6 *county* tax levy, subject to the following [modifications]
- 6A exceptions:
- 7 a. The amount of revenue generated by the increase in valuations
- 8 within the county based solely on applying the preceding year's
- 9 county tax rate to the apportionment valuation of new construction
- 10 or improvements within the county and such increase shall be
- 11 levied in direct proportion to said valuation;
- 12 b. Capital expenditures funded by any source other than the
- 13 county tax levy;
- 14 c. An increase based upon [an ordinance declaring] a resolution
- 15 making an emergency appropriation according to the definition
- 16 provided in N. J. S. 40A:4-46 approved by at least two-thirds of
- 17 the board of chosen freeholders of the county and, except as to an
- 18 emergency appropriation for a purpose referred to in d. or f. below,
- 19 where pertinent, approved by the county executive;
- d. All debt service;

- e. Expenditures mandated after the effective date of this act pursuant to State or Federal law[.];
- 23 f. Amounts required to be paid pursuant to any contract with
- 24 respect to use, services or provision of any project, facility or
- 25 public improvement *for water, sewer, solid waste, parking**.
- 26 housing** or any similar purpose, or payments on account of debt
- 27 service therefor*, between a county, and any other county, munici-
- 28 pality, school or other district, agency, authority, commission, in-
- 29 strumentality, public corporation, body corporate and politic or
- 30 political subdivision of this State.
 - 3. Section 6 of P. L. 1976, c. 68 is repealed.
- 1 4. This act shall take effect immediately and be applicable to the
- 2 tax years beginning in 1977 and shall expire December 31, 1979.