

31: 1-7 et seq.

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(Fire districts - suspend maximum rate  
of interest on borrowings)

(1970 amendment)

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**SENATE, No. 565**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

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By Senator HIERING

(Without Reference)

AN ACT to amend the title of "An act temporarily suspending the statutory maximum rate of interest limitations applicable to borrowings by counties, municipalities, school districts, State agencies and other public authorities and agencies," approved July 3, 1969 (P. L. 1969, c. 137), so that the same shall read "An act temporarily suspending the statutory maximum rate of interest limitations applicable to borrowings by counties, municipalities, school districts, fire districts in townships, State agencies and other public authorities and agencies," and to amend the body of said act.

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

1 1. The title of P. L. 1969, chapter 137 is amended to read as  
2 follows: An act temporarily suspending the statutory maximum  
3 rate of interest limitations applicable to borrowings by counties,  
4 municipalities, school districts, *fire districts in townships*, State  
5 agencies and other public authorities and agencies.

1 2. Section 1 of P. L. 1969, chapter 137 (C. 31:1-7) is amended  
2 to read as follows:

3 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 31:1-1 of the Revised  
4 Statutes or of regulations issued thereunder, or of any other law,  
5 statute or regulation applicable to or constituting any limitation on  
6 the maximum rate of interest per annum payable on bonds, notes  
7 or other obligations, or as to annual interest cost to maturity of  
8 money borrowed or received upon issuance of bonds, notes or other  
9 obligations, every county, municipality, school district, *fire district*  
10 *in a township*, body corporate and politic or public authority,  
11 agency, commission, bond bank, or other public institution hereto-  
12 fore or hereafter created by the State, any county, or municipality  
13 or by one or more counties or municipalities, is hereby authorized  
14 and empowered for the period from the effective date of this act

15 through June 30, 1970, to contract to pay interest on or an interest  
16 cost per annum for money borrowed and evidenced by bonds, notes  
17 or other obligations issued during said period without limit as to the  
18 rate of interest per annum payable thereon or as to the annual  
19 interest cost to maturity of the money borrowed.

1 3. Section 2 of P. L. 1969, chapter 137 (C. 31:1-8) is amended  
2 to read as follows:

3 2. This act shall be liberally construed to effect its legislative  
4 purpose of suspending for the aforesaid period any existing statu-  
5 tory limitation as to rate of interest or cost of money borrowed or  
6 provision of law with respect thereto and applicable to any county,  
7 municipality, school district, *fire district in a township*, body cor-  
8 porate and politic or public authority, agency, commission, bond  
9 bank or other public institution heretofore r hereafter created by  
10 the State, or any one or more counties or municipalities, but nothing  
11 herein contained shall be held or deemed in any way to effect or to  
12 impair existing contract limitations with bondholders or others  
13 as to rate of interest or cost of money borrowed without the con-  
14 sent of such bondholders or others given as provided in any such  
15 contract.

1 4. This act shall take effect immediately but shall be retroactive  
2 to July 3, 1969.