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Senate, No. 1535

1 AN ACT concerning the financing of airports operated by counties  
2 and municipalities and amending various sections of the Revised  
3 Statutes.

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5 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
6 of New Jersey:

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10 lease or purchase, and establish, construct, own, control, lease, equip,  
11 improve, maintain, operate, and regulate airports or landing fields for  
12 the use of airplanes and other aircraft within the limits of such  
13 counties, and may use for such purpose or purposes any property,  
14 owned or controlled by such county, suitable therefor, provided that  
15 the provision or performance of goods or services in connection with  
16 the operation, management, or administration of an airport shall be  
17 done pursuant to the "Local Public Contracts Law," P.L.1971, c.198  
18 (C.40A:11-1 et seq.) and any supplements thereto.

19 b. A county may maintain, operate, and manage an airport or  
20 landing field as a public utility of the county and, for that purpose,  
21 shall keep the accounts of the airport separate and distinct from any  
22 other accounts of the county.

23 (cf: P.L.1999, c.440, s.42)

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25 2. R.S.40:8-5 is amended to read as follows:

26 40:8-5. Private property needed by any municipality for an  
27 airport or landing field shall be acquired by purchase if the  
28 municipality is able to agree with the owners on the terms thereof,  
29 and otherwise by condemnation, in the manner provided by the law  
30 under which the municipality is authorized to acquire real property  
31 for public purposes other than street purposes, or, if there be no such  
32 law, in the manner provided for and subject to the provisions of  
33 **[chapter 1 of the title Eminent Domain (s. 20:1-1 et seq.)]** the  
34 "Eminent Domain Act of 1971," P.L.1971, c.361 (C.20:3-1 et seq.).  
35 The purchase price or award for real property acquired for an airport  
36 or landing field may be paid for by appropriation of moneys available  
37 therefor or wholly or partly from the proceeds of the sale of bonds of  
38 the municipality, as the governing body of such municipality shall  
39 determine. Such bonds shall be authorized and issued in accordance  
40 with the provisions of **[article 1 of chapter 1 of this title (s. 40:1-1 et**  
41 **seq.)]** the "Local Bond Law," (N.J.S.40A:2-1 et seq.).

42 (cf: R.S.40:8-5)

**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 underlined thus is new matter.

1       3. R.S.40:28-4 is amended to read as follows:

2       **【**In addition to the powers conferred by the provisions of article 1  
3 of chapter 1 of this title (s.40:1-1 et seq.), relative to the issuance of

4 bonds, any county of the first, second, third or fifth class**】** 40:28-4.  
5 a. A county of any class may issue bonds for the purpose of acquiring  
6 real estate and thereafter equipping, maintaining, and operating **【**the  
7 same**】** that real estate for airport purposes.

8       **b.** All bonds **【**so**】** issued for airport purposes shall mature and  
9 be payable **【**in annual installments commencing not more than two  
10 years from their date, and no installment shall be more than fifty per  
11 cent in excess of the amount of the smallest prior installment, and the  
12 bonds shall mature within the period declared in the ordinance or  
13 resolution authorizing them, which in no case shall exceed twenty  
14 years**】** in accordance with the provisions of the "Local Bond Law,"  
15 (N.J.S.40A:2-1 et seq.).

16 (cf: R.S.40:28-4)

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18       4. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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23       This bill authorizes the governing body of any county that  
24 acquires, establishes, and operates an airport to maintain, operate,  
25 and manage the airport as a public utility of the county and, for that  
26 purpose, the county is to keep the accounts of the airport utility  
27 separate and distinct from any other accounts of the county.

28       The bill clarifies that a county of any class may issue bonds for  
29 the purpose of acquiring real estate and thereafter equipping,  
30 maintaining, and operating that real estate for airport purposes. The  
31 bill also clarifies that counties and municipalities are to follow the  
32 provisions of the "Local Bond Law" when issuing bonds for airport  
33 purposes.

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38       Permits counties to operate airports as county utilities; provides  
39 that bonds for county and municipal airport purposes be issued in  
40 accordance with provisions of "Local Bond Law."

# SENATE, No. 1535

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 220th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 10, 2022

**Sponsored by:**

**Senator LINDA R. GREENSTEIN**

**District 14 (Mercer and Middlesex)**

**Senator SHIRLEY K. TURNER**

**District 15 (Hunterdon and Mercer)**

**Assemblyman DANIEL R. BENSON**

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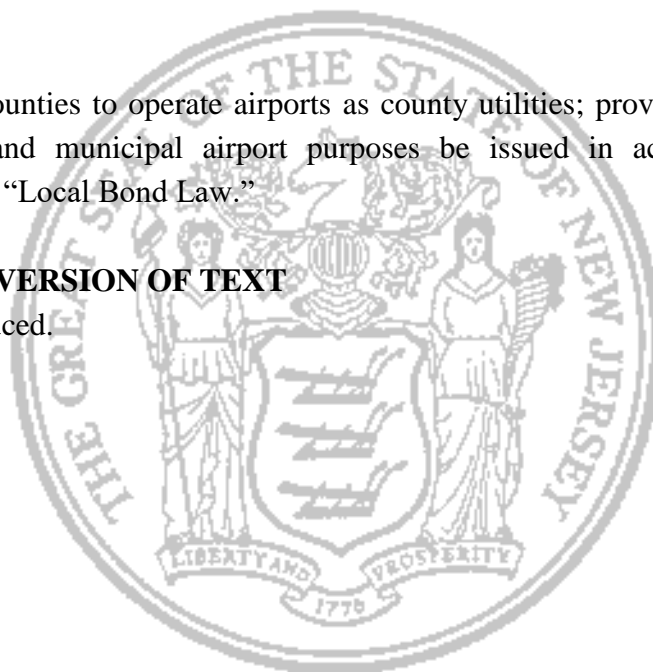
**Senator Singer**

**SYNOPSIS**

Permits counties to operate airports as county utilities; provides that bonds for county and municipal airport purposes be issued in accordance with provisions of "Local Bond Law."

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 5/26/2022)

S1535 GREENSTEIN, TURNER

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16 connection with the operation, management, or administration of an  
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18 P.L.1971, c.198 (C.40A:11-1 et seq.) and any supplements thereto.

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20 landing field as a public utility of the county and, for that purpose,  
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22 other accounts of the county.

23 (cf: P.L.1999, c.440, s.42)

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41 **of this title (s. 40:1-1 et seq.)】** the "Local Bond Law,"  
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SENATE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1535

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: FEBRUARY 28, 2022

The Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 1535.

This bill authorizes the governing body of any county that acquires, establishes, and operates an airport to maintain, operate, and manage the airport as a public utility of the county and, for that purpose, the county is to keep the accounts of the airport utility separate and distinct from any other accounts of the county.

The bill clarifies that a county of any class may issue bonds for the purpose of acquiring real estate and thereafter equipping, maintaining, and operating that real estate for airport purposes. The bill also clarifies that counties and municipalities are to follow the provisions of the “Local Bond Law” when issuing bonds for airport purposes.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This bill is not certified as requiring a fiscal note.



ASSEMBLY TRANSPORTATION AND INDEPENDENT  
AUTHORITIES COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**SENATE, No. 1535**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: MARCH 10, 2022

The Assembly Transportation and Independent Authorities Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 1535.

As reported, this bill authorizes the governing body of any county that acquires, establishes, and operates an airport to maintain, operate, and manage the airport as a public utility of the county. If managed as a public utility, the county is required to keep the accounts of the airport utility separate and distinct from any other accounts of the county.

The bill clarifies that any county may issue bonds for the purpose of acquiring real estate and thereafter equipping, maintaining, and operating that real estate for airport purposes. The bill also clarifies that counties and municipalities are to follow the provisions of the “Local Bond Law” when issuing bonds for airport purposes.

As reported, this bill is identical to Assembly Bill No. 2861, which was also reported by the committee on this date.

# ASSEMBLY, No. 2861

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 220th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 28, 2022

**Sponsored by:**

**Assemblyman DANIEL R. BENSON**

**District 14 (Mercer and Middlesex)**

**Assemblyman ANTHONY S. VERRELLI**

**District 15 (Hunterdon and Mercer)**

**Assemblywoman VERLINA REYNOLDS-JACKSON**

**District 15 (Hunterdon and Mercer)**

**Assemblyman EDWARD H. THOMSON**

**District 30 (Monmouth and Ocean)**

**SYNOPSIS**

Permits counties to operate airports as county utilities; provides that bonds for county and municipal airport purposes be issued in accordance with provisions of “Local Bond Law.”

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 2/28/2022)

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ASSEMBLY TRANSPORTATION AND INDEPENDENT  
AUTHORITIES COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**ASSEMBLY, No. 2861**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: MARCH 10, 2022

The Assembly Transportation and Independent Authorities Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 2861.

As reported, this bill authorizes the governing body of any county that acquires, establishes, and operates an airport to maintain, operate, and manage the airport as a public utility of the county. If managed as a public utility, the county is required to keep the accounts of the airport utility separate and distinct from any other accounts of the county.

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# Governor Murphy Takes Action on Legislation

08/5/2022

**TRENTON** – Today, Governor Phil Murphy signed the following bills into law:

**S-481/A-4291 (Scutari, Bramnick/Greenwald, Conaway, Stanley)** - Requires automobile insurance policies to provide certain minimum amounts of liability, uninsured motorist, and underinsured motorist coverage

**S-521/A-3661 (Cruz-Perez, Pou/Spearman)** - Expressly authorizes medical cannabis patients under 18 years of age to have up to four designated caregivers

**S-525/A-280 (Ruiz, Singleton/Umba, Sawyer, Wirths)** - Enhances, and allocates funds for, pre-apprenticeship programs

**S-1368/A-2687 (Scutari/Mukherji)** - Requires business owners and rental unit owners to maintain certain liability insurance policies

**S-1535/A-2-861 (Greenstein, Turner/Benson, Verrelli, Reynolds-Jackson, Thomson)** - Permits counties to operate airports as county utilities; provides that bonds for county and municipal airport purposes be issued in accordance with provisions of "Local Bond Law."

**S-1603/A-3771 (Smith/Mukherji)** - Removes restriction on receipt of retirement annuities by certain members of JRS who file for deferred retirement

**S-2843/A-4293 (Scutari, Bramnick/Mukherji, Quijano, Wimberly)** - Requires certain insurers to disclose policy limits upon request by an attorney under certain circumstances

**A-4239/S-2424 (Lopez, Atkins, Moen/Gopal)** - Concerns imposition and collection of sales and use tax for fabrication and installation of signs