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SPONSOR(S): Blee and Wolfe

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Senate Committee Substitute for A1983/1237

SPONSORS STATEMENT: No

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SENATE: <u>Yes</u> <u>3-18-99</u>

FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENTS: No

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE: No

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SPONSORS STATEMENT: (Begins on page 4 of original bill)

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Yes

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FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENTS: No

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P.L. 1999, CHAPTER 226, approved September 22, 1999

Senate Committee Substitute for Assembly, No. 1983 and Senate, No. 1237

1	AN ACT concerning higher education finance, supplementing chapter
2	62 of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes, and making an
3	appropriation.

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

1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Higher Education Incentive Funding Act."

2. The Legislature finds and declares that a mechanism is needed to provide incentives that will assist the State's public and independent colleges and universities in their fund raising efforts, and that a State commitment to provide matching funds for private donors' investment in higher education has the potential to generate additional external support for programs and activities that could have a significant impact on the individual campuses of the State's higher education institutions.

3. As used in this act:

"Amount" of a contribution or a donation means, in the case of property other than cash, the fair market value of the property contributed or donated as of the close of business on the day on which the recipient of that contribution or donation acquires ownership of the property.

"Contribution year" means the fiscal year in which the endowment contribution or contributions were made, with respect to which State matching funds under sections 5 through 7 of P.L. , c. (C.) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill) are sought or have been paid.

"Donation" means the conveyance by gift of property consisting of cash or marketable securities, the corpus of which property may, under the terms of the gift, be expended by the donee, and the income from which property may, but need not, be restricted under those terms as to use for particular purposes stipulated by the donor.

"Donation year" means the fiscal year in which the donation or donations were made, with respect to which State matching funds under sections 9 through 11 of P.L. , c. (C.) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill) are sought or have been paid.

40 "Endowment contribution" means the conveyance by gift of

property consisting of cash or marketable securities, the corpus of 2 which property may not, under the terms of the gift, be expended by 3 the person to whom the contribution is made, and the income from 4 which property may, but need not, be restricted under those terms as 5 to use for particular purposes stipulated by the contributor.

"Fiscal year" means the State fiscal year.

"Gift" means a completed irrevocable transfer of property, including transfer by testamentary disposition, for which transfer the transferor receives no consideration, and in which property the transferee's interest is not subject to any retained interest of the transferor or to any concurrent or future interest of any other person.

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4. There is created in the Department of the Treasury the "Higher Education Incentive Endowment Fund" (the "endowment fund"), which, subject to the availability of funds, shall be used to provide State matching funds against endowment contributions to four-year public institutions of higher education, two-year public institutions of higher education, and independent institutions of higher education that receive direct State aid, or their institutionally related foundations, in accordance with the provisions of sections 5 through 7 of this act and subject to the provisions of subsections a. and b. of section 12 of the act.

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5. With respect to a fiscal year in which at least one person shall have made a single endowment contribution to a four-year public institution of higher education, or to a foundation institutionally related to such a public institution, in the amount of \$1,000,000 or more, the recipient institution or foundation shall be eligible to receive State matching funds in subsequent fiscal years as follows:

a. In the fiscal year first following the contribution year, the institution or foundation may apply to the State Treasurer for State matching funds in an amount equal to 10% of the amount of each such contribution received in the contribution year. There shall be no limit on the number of such single endowment contributions in that contribution year in the amount of \$1,000,000 or more each for which such application may be made. Any such application shall be made only with respect to the entire contribution year and may be submitted at any time after the close of that contribution year. Not later than the 90th day following receipt of the application, the State Treasurer shall determine the amount of State matching funds to which the applicant institution or foundation is entitled under this subsection and shall pay that amount from the endowment fund to the institution or foundation, including with that payment an explanation of the denial, if any, of any claim of entitlement to matching funds for which the institution or foundation had applied; and

b. In the second and in each of the subsequent fiscal years

following the contribution year, the institution or foundation shall be entitled to receive from the endowment fund, without application, State matching funds in an amount equal to one-half of the amount paid under subsection a. of this section.

- 6. a. With respect to a fiscal year in which at least one person shall have made a single endowment contribution to a two-year public institution of higher education, or to a foundation institutionally related to such a public institution, in the amount of \$100,000 or more, the recipient institution or foundation shall be eligible to receive State matching funds in subsequent fiscal years as follows:
- (1) In the fiscal year first following the contribution year, the institution or foundation may apply to the State Treasurer for State matching funds in an amount equal to 10% of the amount of each such contribution received in the contribution year. There shall be no limit on the number of such single endowment contributions in that contribution year in the amount of \$100,000 or more each for which such application may be made. Any such application shall be made only with respect to the entire contribution year and may be submitted at any time after the close of that contribution year. Not later than the 90th day following receipt of the application, the State Treasurer shall determine the amount of State matching funds to which the applicant institution or foundation is entitled under this paragraph and shall pay that amount from the endowment fund to the institution or foundation, including with that payment an explanation of the denial, if any, of any claim of entitlement to matching funds for which the institution or foundation had applied; and
- (2) In the second and in each of the subsequent fiscal years following the contribution year, the institution or foundation shall be entitled to receive from the endowment fund, without application, State matching funds in an amount equal to one-half of the amount paid under paragraph (1) of this subsection.
- b. With respect to a fiscal year in which three or more persons each shall have made single endowment contributions to a two-year public institution of higher education, or to a foundation institutionally related to such a public institution, in the amount of \$50,000 or more but less than \$100,000, and the cumulative amount in that fiscal year of those single endowment contributions of \$50,000 or more but less than \$100,000 is at least \$250,000, the recipient institution or foundation shall be eligible to receive State matching funds in subsequent fiscal years as follows:
- (1) In the fiscal year first following the contribution year, the institution or foundation may apply to the State Treasurer for State matching funds in an amount equal to 10% of the highest exact multiple of \$250,000 that is less than or equal to that cumulative amount of such contributions received in the contribution year. There

shall be no limit on the number of such single endowment contributions in that contribution year in the amount of \$50,000 but less than \$100,000 each with respect to which such application may be made. Any such application shall be made only with respect to the entire contribution year and may be submitted at any time after the close of that contribution year. Not later than the 90th day following receipt of the application, the State Treasurer shall determine the amount of State matching funds to which the applicant institution or foundation is entitled under this paragraph and shall pay that amount from the endowment fund to the institution or foundation, including with that payment an explanation of the denial, if any, of any claim of entitlement to matching funds for which the institution or foundation had applied; and

(2) In the second and in each of the subsequent fiscal years following the contribution year, the institution or foundation shall be entitled to receive from the endowment fund, without application, State matching funds in an amount equal to one-half of the amount paid under paragraph (1) of this subsection.

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> 7. With respect to a fiscal year in which at least one person makes a single endowment contribution to a four-year independent institution of higher education that receives direct State aid, or to a foundation institutionally related to such an institution, in the amount of \$1,000,000 or more, the recipient institution or foundation shall be eligible to apply for and to receive State matching funds in the amount of \$100,000 with respect to each such contribution. There shall be no limit on the number of such single endowment contributions in a contribution year in the amount of \$1,000,000 or more each for which such application may be made. Any such application shall be made only with respect to the entire contribution year and may be submitted at any time after the close of that contribution year. Not later than the 90th day following receipt of the application, the State Treasurer shall determine the amount of State matching funds to which the applicant institution or foundation is entitled under this section and shall pay that amount from the endowment fund to the institution or foundation, including with that payment an explanation of the denial, if any, of any claim of entitlement to matching funds for which the institution or foundation had applied. An institution or foundation that shall have received payment of State matching funds under this section with respect to a contribution year shall not thereafter receive additional State matching funds with respect to the same contribution year.

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8. There is created in the Department of the Treasury the "Higher Education Incentive Grant Fund" (the "grant fund"), which, subject to the availability of funds, shall be used to provide State matching funds against donations to four-year public institutions of higher education,

two-year public institutions of higher education, and independent institutions of higher education that receive direct State aid, or their institutionally related foundations, in accordance with the provisions of sections 9 through 11 of this act and subject to the provisions of subsections a. and b. of section 12 of the act.

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9. With respect to a fiscal year in which at least one person shall have made a single donation to a four-year public institution of higher education, or to a foundation institutionally related to such a public institution, in the amount of \$1,000,000 or more, the recipient institution or foundation shall be eligible to receive State matching funds under this section. In the fiscal year next following the donation year, the institution or foundation may apply to the State Treasurer for State matching funds in an amount equal to 10% of the amount of each such donation received in the donation year. There shall be no limit on the number of such single donations in that donation year in the amount of \$1,000,000 or more each for which such application may be made. Any such application shall be made only with respect to the entire donation year and may be submitted at any time after the close of that donation year. Not later than the 90th day following receipt of the application, the State Treasurer shall determine the amount of State matching funds to which the applicant institution or foundation is entitled under this subsection and shall pay that amount from the grant fund to the institution or foundation, including with that payment an explanation of the denial, if any, of any claim of entitlement to matching funds for which the institution or foundation had applied. An institution or foundation that shall have received payment of State matching funds under this section with respect to a donation year shall not thereafter receive additional State matching funds with respect to the same donation year.

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10. a. With respect to a fiscal year in which at least one person shall have made a single donation to a two-year public institution of higher education, or to a foundation institutionally related to such a public institution, in the amount of \$100,000 or more, the recipient institution or foundation shall be eligible to receive State matching funds under this subsection. In the fiscal year next following the donation year, the institution or foundation may apply to the State Treasurer for State matching funds in an amount equal to 10% of the amount of each such donation received in the donation year. There shall be no limit on the number of such single donations in that donation year in the amount of \$100,000 or more each for which such application may be made. Any such application shall be made only with respect to the entire donation year and may be submitted at any time after the close of that donation year. Not later than the 90th day following receipt of the application, the State Treasurer shall

determine the amount of State matching funds to which the applicant 1 2 institution or foundation is entitled under this subsection and shall pay 3 that amount from the grant fund to the institution or foundation, 4 including with that payment an explanation of the denial, if any, of any 5 claim of entitlement to matching funds for which the institution or foundation had applied. An institution or foundation that shall have 6 7 received payment of State matching funds under this subsection with 8 respect to a donation year shall not thereafter receive additional State 9 matching funds with respect to the same donation year.

b. With respect to every fiscal year in which three or more persons, corporations or other business entities, or foundations each shall have made single donations to a two-year public institution of higher education, or to a foundation institutionally related to such a public institution, in the amount of \$50,000 or more but less than \$100,000, and the cumulative amount in that fiscal year of those single donations of \$50,000 or more but less than \$100,000 is at least \$250,000, the recipient institution or foundation shall be eligible to receive State matching funds under this subsection. In the fiscal year next following the donation year, the institution or foundation may apply to the State Treasurer for State matching funds in an amount equal to 10% of the highest exact multiple of \$250,000 that is less than or equal to that cumulative amount of such donations received in the donation year. There shall be no limit on the number of such single donations in that donation year in the amount of \$50,000 but less than \$100,000 each with respect to which such application may be made. Any such application shall be made only with respect to the entire donation year and may be submitted at any time after the close of that donation year. Not later than the 90th day following receipt of the application, the State Treasurer shall determine the amount of State matching funds to which the applicant institution or foundation is entitled under this subsection and shall pay that amount from the grant fund to the institution or foundation, including with that payment an explanation of the denial, if any, of any claim of entitlement to matching funds for which the institution or foundation had applied. An institution or foundation that shall have received payment of State matching funds under this subsection with respect to a donation year shall not thereafter receive additional State matching funds with respect to the same donation year.

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11. With respect to a fiscal year in which at least one person makes a single donation to a four-year independent institution of higher education that receives direct State aid, or to a foundation institutionally related to such an institution, in the amount of \$1,000,000 or more, the recipient institution or foundation shall be eligible to apply for and to receive State matching funds in the amount of \$100,000 with respect to each such donation. There shall be no

limit on the number of such single donations in that donation year in the amount of \$1,000,000 or more for which such application may be made. Any such application shall be made only with respect to the entire donation year and may be submitted at any time after the close of that donation year. Not later than the 90th day following receipt of the application, the State Treasurer shall determine the amount of State matching funds to which the applicant institution or foundation is entitled under this section and shall pay that amount from the grant fund to the institution or foundation, including with that payment an explanation of the denial, if any, of any claim of entitlement to matching funds for which the institution or foundation had applied. An institution or foundation that shall have received payment of State matching funds under this section with respect to a donation year shall not thereafter receive additional State matching funds with respect to the same donation year.

- 12. a. No institution of higher education having a total endowment of more than \$1,000,000,000, and no foundation institutionally related to such an institution, shall be eligible to receive State matching funds under this act.
- b. No endowment contribution or donation to an institution of higher education from a foundation institutionally related to that institution shall be eligible to be matched with State funds under the provisions of this act.
- c. The matching funds provided to an institution of higher education or to a foundation institutionally related to such an institution pursuant to sections 4 through 11 of this act shall be used by the institution or foundation exclusively for academic purposes and shall not be used to fund any activity, program or project unrelated or only incidentally related to those purposes, such as the award of athletic scholarships or payment of the cost of building construction, but this restriction shall not to apply to the use by the institution or foundation of any of the endowment contributions and donations with respect to which those matching funds were paid.

13. In order for an institution or foundation to receive in a fiscal year State matching funds pursuant to an application therefor under the provisions of this act, the governing body of the institution or foundation shall provide the State Treasurer with a copy of the institution's annual independent financial audit, the institution's education foundation audit, or other financial certification, as deemed appropriate by the Treasurer, that verifies that the institution has raised the necessary amount through endowment contributions or donations to qualify for the State matching funds.

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1	14. a. The endowment fund and the grant fund shall be
2	administered separately by the State Treasurer. Each fund shall
3	consist of moneys appropriated or otherwise made available to it by
4	the Legislature and any interest received on the investment of moneys
5	in that fund.
6	b. If, in any fiscal year, the fund balance in either the endowment
7	fund or the grant fund is insufficient to fund payment in full of the
8	State matching funds authorized to be paid under the provisions of this
9	act, the entitlement of an institution of higher education or
10	institutionally related foundation to the amount of any underpayment
11	shall not lapse, and shall have priority in the following fiscal year over
12	any claim for payment of such matching funds arising in that following
13	fiscal year.
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15	15. The State Treasurer shall adopt, pursuant to the
16	"Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et
17	seq.), rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of
18	this act.
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20	16. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the
21	Department of the Treasury \$5,000,000 to be divided equally between
22	the endowment fund and the grant fund to implement the provisions
23	of this act.
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25	17. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to any
26	endowment contribution or donation made during the fiscal year of
27	enactment or thereafter.
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32	The "Higher Education Incentive Funding Act," appropriates \$5
33	million.

SENATE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR ASSEMBLY, No. 1983 and SENATE, No. 1237

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 18, 1999

The Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee reports favorably a Senate Committee Substitute for Assembly Bill No. 1983 and Senate Bill No. 1237.

This committee substitute bill establishes within the Department of the Treasury a program under which New Jersey's public and private institutions of higher education that receive substantial gifts of cash or marketable securities would qualify for State funds partially matching those gifts. The amount of matching funds payable would depend upon whether the gifts are "endowment contributions" or "donations", and also upon the type of institution to which the gifts are made.

- (1) An *endowment contribution* is defined under the bill as a gift, the corpus of which, under the terms of the gift, may not be expended by the recipient. The bill provides that matching funds would be paid to the recipient institution with respect to (i) in the case of public and private four-year institutions, each contribution of \$1,000,000 or more from a single source, or (ii) in the case of public two-year institutions, each gift of \$100,000 or more from a single source, or gifts of between \$50,000 and \$100,000 each from multiple sources that total at least \$250,000. The amount of the matching funds payable would be:
- (a) In the case of public institutions, 10% of the amount of each qualifying contribution payable in the year immediately following the contribution year, plus 5% of the amount of each such qualifying contribution payable in each subsequent year. Contributions to two-year public institutions of between \$50,000 and \$100,000 would not be matched on a precise gift-by-gift basis, but rather in steps measured by the highest exact multiple of \$250,000 (\$250,000, \$500,000, \$750,000, etc.) attained or exceeded by the total amount of such contributions to the institution in the contribution year; and
- (b) In the case of private four-year institutions, \$100,000 for each gift of \$1,000,000 or more, payable only in the year immediately following the contribution year.

(2) A *donation* is defined as a gift, the corpus of which may be expended by the recipient. The bill's provisions for the matching of donations is essentially the same as that for the matching of contributions, except that no matching funds would be payable to any institution with respect to any donation after the 10% match payment in the year following the contribution year.

The bill excludes institutions having a total endowment of more than \$1 billion from participation in the match program. It directs an institution making application for matching funds to provide the State Treasurer with a copy of an audit or other appropriate certification of its finances that demonstrates qualification to receive such funds. The Treasurer is to administer the program and is authorized to adopt appropriate rules and regulations. The bill appropriates \$5,000,000, to be divided equally between two funds from which moneys would be paid to match endowment contributions and donations, respectively.

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill appropriates \$5,000,000 from the General Fund to finance the higher education incentive funding program established under the legislation.

ASSEMBLY, No. 1983

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

208th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED MAY 4, 1998

Sponsored by:
Assemblyman FRANCIS J. BLEE
District 2 (Atlantic)
Assemblyman DAVID W. WOLFE
District 10 (Monmouth and Ocean)

SYNOPSIS

The "Higher Education Incentive Funding Program Act;" appropriates \$5 million.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.

A1983 BLEE, WOLFE

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1 AN ACT concerning higher education finance, supplementing chapter 2 62 of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes, and making an 3 appropriation.

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BE IT Enacted by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

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1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Higher Education Incentive Funding Program Act."

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2. The Legislature finds and declares that the rate of corporate and private giving to public institutions of higher education has historically been consistently lower than contributions made on behalf of private colleges and universities; that a mechanism is needed to provide incentives that will assist the State's public colleges and universities in their fund raising efforts; and, that the State's investment in public higher education has the potential to generate additional external support for programs and activities which could have a significant impact on the individual campuses of the State's higher education institutions.

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There is created in the Department of Treasury the "Higher Education Incentive Endowment Fund," which, subject to the availability of funds, shall be used to provide a State match against private endowments made to four year public institutions of higher education and two year public institutions of higher education. When a four year public institution receives endowment contributions totaling \$1,000,000 or more, and a two year public institution receives endowment contributions totaling \$250,000 or more, the institution may apply to the State Treasurer and the Treasurer shall provide as a State match from the endowment fund, 10% of the amount raised through endowment contributions. Subsequent allocations may be made from the endowment fund for each additional \$1 million or more in new endowment contributions made to a four year public institution; or, each additional \$250,000 or more in new endowment contributions made to a two year public institution as certified by the governing body of the institution to the State Treasurer. As used in this section "endowment" means a contribution made to an institution which is designated as restricted by the stipulations of the donor for a specific purpose.

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4. There is created the "Higher Education Incentive Grant Fund," which, subject to the availability of funds, shall be used to provide a State match against private donations made to four year public institutions of higher education and two year public institutions of higher education. When a four year public institution receives

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donations totaling \$1,000,000 or more, and a two year public institution receives donations totaling \$250,000 or more, institution may apply to the State Treasurer and the Treasurer shall provide as a State match from the grant fund, 10% of the amount raised through donations. Subsequent allocations may be made from the grant fund for each additional \$1 million or more in new donations raised by a four year public institution; or, each additional \$250,000 or more in new donations raised by a two year public institution as certified by the governing body of the institution to the State Treasurer.

- 5. a. In order for an institution to be eligible to receive the State match, the governing body of each institution shall provide the State Treasurer with a copy of the institution's annual independent financial audit or other financial certification, as deemed appropriate by the Treasurer, that verifies that the institution has raised the necessary amount through endowment contributions or donations in order to qualify for the State match.
- b. The matching funds provided to each institution pursuant to sections 3 and 4 of this act may be used by the institution to promote institutional goals as determined by the governing body of the institution.

6. The endowment fund and the grant fund shall be administered separately by the State Treasurer. The Treasurer shall allocate from the appropriate fund each institution's 10% match on endowment contributions or donations of \$1,000,000 or more for a four year public institution, or \$250,000 or more for a two year public institution upon certification by the governing body of the institution pursuant to subsection a. of section 5 of this act. Each fund shall consist of monies appropriated or otherwise made available to it by the Legislature and any interest received on the investment of monies in the fund.

7. The State Treasurer shall adopt, pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c. 410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this act.

8. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Treasury \$5,000,000 to be divided equally between the endowment fund and the grant fund to implement the provisions of this act.

9. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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3 This bill creates the "Higher Education Incentive Funding 4 Program." Under this program, two funds are established, an 5 endowment fund to provide a State match against endowment contributions made to a public institution of higher education for 6 7 specific purposes and against donations made to an institution for 8 general purposes. The bill provides that, subject to the availability of 9 funds, for every \$1 million or more raised from endowment 10 contributions or donations by four year public institutions, and for every \$250,000 raised by two year public institutions, the State will 11 12 provide a 10% match. In order to be eligible to participate in the State 13 matching program, the bill requires the governing body of each 14 institution to verify either through an independent annual financial audit or some other financial certification as determined by the State 15 Treasurer, the amount of funds raised through endowment 16 17 contributions or donations. The matching funds may be used to 18 promote institutional goals as determined by the governing boards of 19 the institutions. The bill appropriates \$5 million to be divided equally 20 between the endowment fund and the grant fund.

ASSEMBLY EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1983

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 15, 1998

The Assembly Education Committee favorably reports Assembly Bill No. 1983 with committee amendments.

As amended by committee, this bill establishes the Higher Education Incentive Funding Program in the Department of the Treasury. The purpose of the program is to provide State matching funds against endowment contributions and private donations which are made to public institutions of higher education.

Under the program, two separate funds are established in the Department of the Treasury. The first fund, the "Higher Education Incentive Endowment Fund" is to be used to provide a match against private endowment contributions made to four year and two year public institutions of higher education. When a four year institution receives endowment contributions which total \$1,000,000 or more, and a two year institution receives endowment contributions totaling \$250,000 or more, the institution may apply to the State Treasurer and the Treasurer shall provide from the endowment fund, a State match equal to 10% of the contribution amount. Subsequent allocations may be made from the fund for each additional \$1,000,000 or \$250,000, as appropriate, raised through endowment contributions. Also, in the case of any individual endowment contribution which equals \$1,000,000 or more made to a four year public institution of higher education by a person, corporation or other business entity, or foundation, or any similar individual endowment contribution which equals \$250,000 or more, in addition to the initial 10% match to which the institution is entitled, the State Treasurer shall provide as an additional State match from the endowment fund in the second and each subsequent year, an amount equal to 5% of that endowment contribution. This 5% State match is to be placed in the institution's base budget.

The second fund, the "Higher Education Incentive Grant Fund," is to be used to provide a State match against private donations made to four year and two year public institutions of higher education. When a four year institution receives donations totaling \$1,000,000 or more, and a two year institution receives donations totaling \$250,000 or

more, the institution may apply to the State Treasurer and the Treasurer shall provide, a State match from the grant fund equal to 10% of the amount raised through donations. Subsequent allocations may be made from the grant fund for each additional \$1,000,000 or \$250,000, as appropriate, which are raised in new donations.

In order to be eligible to receive the State match under the bill's provisions, the governing body of the institution must provide the State Treasurer with a copy of the institution's annual financial audit, education foundation audit, or other financial certification that verifies that the institution has raised the necessary amount of endowment contributions or donations.

The bill appropriates \$5,000,000 to the Department of the Treasury to be divided equally between the endowment fund and the grant fund.

The committee amended the bill to provide for a 5% State match in the second and each subsequent year for any individual endowment contribution made by a person, corporation or other business entity, or foundation in the amount of \$1,000,000 or more in the case of a four year institution and \$250,000 or more in the case of a two year institution. The amendments direct that this additional 5% match be placed in the institution's base budget.

The amendments also provide that the institution may submit its education foundation audit to the State Treasurer as verification that it has received the funds required to qualify for the State match.

ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

[First Reprint] ASSEMBLY, No. 1983

with Assembly committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 22, 1998

The Assembly Appropriations Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 1983 (1R) with committee amenments.

Assembly Bill No. 1983 (1R), as amended, establishes the Higher Education Incentive Funding Program in the Department of the Treasury. The program will provide State matching funds against endowment contributions and private donations that are made to public institutions of higher education.

Under the program, two separate funds are established in the Department of the Treasury. The first fund, the "Higher Education Incentive Endowment Fund" will be used to provide a match against private endowment contributions made to four year and two year public institutions of higher education. The bill provides that if a four year institution receives endowment contributions that total \$1,000,000 or more, or a two year institution receives endowment contributions totaling \$250,000 or more, the institution may apply to the State Treasurer for a State match from the endowment fund equal to 10% of the contribution amount. Subsequent matches may be made from the fund for each additional \$1,000,000 or \$250,000, as appropriate, raised through endowments.

The bill provides an additional match from the endowment fund for large single endowments, individual endowment contributions that equal \$1,000,000 or more made to a four year public institution of higher education by a person, corporation or other business entity, or foundation, or a similar individual endowment contributions that equal \$250,000 or more made to a two year public institution. In addition to the initial 10% match, the bill provides an additional State match from the endowment fund in the second and each subsequent year equal to 5% of that endowment contribution. This 5% State match is to be placed in the institution's base budget.

The second fund, the "Higher Education Incentive Grant Fund," will be used to provide a match against private donations made to four year and two year public institutions of higher education. If a four year institution receives donations totaling \$1,000,000 or more, or a

two year institution receives donations totaling \$250,000 or more, the institution may apply to the State Treasurer and the Treasurer shall provide, a State match from the grant fund equal to 10% of the donation amount. Subsequent matches may be made from the grant fund for each additional \$1,000,000 or \$250,000, as appropriate, that are through donations.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill appropriates \$5,000,000 to the Department of the Treasury to be divided equally between the endowment fund and the grant fund.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The amendments clarify that a donations to an institutions related foundation are included in donations to that institutions and clarify the definition of "endowment" as a fund that is both designated for a specific purpose and has a principal amount that may not be expended.

SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

[Second Reprint] ASSEMBLY, No. 1983

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: NOVEMBER 16, 1998

The Senate Education Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 1983 (2R).

As amended, this bill establishes the Higher Education Incentive Funding Program in the Department of the Treasury. The program will provide State matching funds for endowment contributions and private donations that are made to public and independent institutions of higher education.

Under the program, two separate funds are established in the Department of the Treasury. The first fund, the "Higher Education Incentive Endowment Fund" will be used to provide a match for private endowment contributions made to four-year and two-year public institutions of higher education and to independent institutions of higher education that receive direct State aid, or their institutionally related foundations. The bill provides that if a four-year institution receives an individual endowment contribution from a person, corporation or other business entity, or foundation in a fiscal year which equals \$1,000,000 or more, or a two-year institution receives an individual endowment contribution from the same sources in a fiscal year which equals \$250,000 or more, the institution may apply to the State Treasurer for a State match from the endowment fund equal to 10% of the contribution amount. Subsequent matches may be made from the endowment fund for additional contributions of \$1,000,000 or \$250,000, as appropriate. In the case of an independent institution higher education that receives an individual endowment contribution in a fiscal year which equals \$1,000,000 or more, the State match would be 10% of the contribution, but not more than \$100,000, and the institution would not be eligible for a State match in the subsequent fiscal year.

The bill provides an additional match from the endowment fund for an individual endowment contribution that equals \$1,000,000 or more made to a four-year public institution of higher education in a fiscal year, or a similar individual endowment contribution that equals \$250,000 or more made to a two-year public institution in a fiscal

year. In addition to the initial 10% match, the bill provides another State match from the endowment fund in the second and each subsequent year equal to 5% of that endowment contribution. This 5% State match is to be placed in the institution's base budget.

The second fund, the "Higher Education Incentive Grant Fund," will be used to provide a match for private donations made to fouryear and two-year public institutions of higher education and to independent institutions of higher education that receive direct State aid, or their institutionally related foundations. If a four-year institution receives an individual donation in a fiscal year that equals \$1,000,000 or more, or a two-year institution receives an individual donation in a fiscal year that equals \$250,000 or more, the institution may apply to the State Treasurer and the Treasurer shall provide a State match from the grant fund equal to 10% of the donation amount. Subsequent matches may be made from the grant fund for additional donations of \$1,000,000 or \$250,000, as appropriate. In the case of an independent institution of higher education that receives an individual donation in a fiscal year which equals \$1,000,000 or more, the State match would be 10% of the donation, but not more than \$100,000, and the institution would not be eligible for a State match in the subsequent fiscal year.

The committee adopted amendments to include independent institutions of higher education that receive direct State aid within the provisions of the bill with limitations on the amount and frequency of the State matching grants, and to clarify that the endowment contributions and donations refer to individual contributions and donations of \$1,000,000 or \$250,000 made in a fiscal year.

[Third Reprint] ASSEMBLY, No. 1983

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 208th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED MAY 4, 1998

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman FRANCIS J. BLEE District 2 (Atlantic) Assemblyman DAVID W. WOLFE District 10 (Monmouth and Ocean)

Co-Sponsored by:

Assemblymen Bagger, Corodemus, Assemblywoman Farragher, Assemblymen Gibson, Gregg, Kelly, Lance, Malone, Weingarten, Assemblywomen Previte and Heck

SYNOPSIS

The "Higher Education Incentive Funding Program Act;" appropriates \$5 million.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Senate Education Committee on November 16, 1998, with amendments.

(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 6/30/1998)

AN ACT concerning higher education finance, supplementing chapter
62 of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes, and making an
appropriation.

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

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1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Higher Education Incentive Funding Program Act."

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3. ¹a. ¹ There is created in the Department of Treasury the "Higher 22 Education Incentive Endowment Fund," which, subject to the 23 availability of funds, shall be used to provide a State match against 24 25 private endowments made to four-year public institutions of higher education ³ [and], ³ two-year public institutions of higher education 26 ³ and independent institutions of higher education, ³ ² or their 27 institutionally related foundations². When a four-year public 28 institution receives ³an individual³ endowment ³[contributions 29 totaling contribution from a person, corporation or other business 30 entity, or foundation in a fiscal year which equals³ \$1,000,000 or 31 more, and a two-year public institution receives ³an individual ³ 32 endowment ³[contributions totaling] contribution from a person. 33 corporation or other business entity, or foundation in a fiscal year 34 which equals³ \$250,000 or more, the institution may apply to the State 35 Treasurer and the Treasurer shall provide as a State match from the 36 endowment fund, 10% of the amount ³[raised through endowment 37 contributions of that contribution Subsequent allocations may be 38 from the endowment fund for each 39 1^{3} [million] $.000,000^{3}$ or more in new endowment contributions 40

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

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

Assembly AED committee amendments adopted June 15, 1998.

² Assembly AAP committee amendments adopted June 22, 1998.

³ Senate SED committee amendments adopted November 16, 1998.

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made to a four-year public institution ³in a fiscal year ³; or each additional \$250,000 or more in new endowment contributions made to a two-year public institution ³in a fiscal year ³ as certified by the governing body of the institution to the State Treasurer.

When an independent institution of higher education that receives direct State aid receives an individual endowment contribution from a person, corporation or other business entity, or foundation in a fiscal year which equals \$1,000,000 or more, the institution may apply to the State Treasurer and the Treasurer shall provide as a State match from the endowment fund, 10% of the amount of that contribution, but not more than \$100,000. The institution shall not be eligible for a State match for a contribution received in the subsequent fiscal year.³

¹b. In the case of any individual endowment contribution which equals \$1,000,000 or more made to a four-year public institution of higher education ³in a fiscal year ³ by a person, corporation or other business entity, or foundation, or any similar individual endowment contribution which equals \$250,000 or more made to a two-year public institution ³in a fiscal year ³, in addition to the 10% State match to which the institution is entitled pursuant to subsection a. of this section, the State Treasurer shall provide as a State match from the endowment fund in the second and each subsequent year an amount equal to 5% of that endowment contribution. The 5% State match received pursuant to this subsection shall be placed in the institution's base budget.

<u>c.</u>¹ As used in this section "endowment" means a contribution made to an institution which is designated as restricted by the stipulations of the donor for a specific purpose ² and the principal of which may not be expended ².

4. There is created the "Higher Education Incentive Grant Fund," which, subject to the availability of funds, shall be used to provide a State match against private donations made to four-year public institutions of higher education ³ [and], ³ two-year public institutions ³and independent institutions of higher of higher education education,³ ²or their institutionally related foundations ². When a four-year public institution receives ³[donations totaling] an individual donation from a person, corporation or other business entity, or foundation in a fiscal year which equals³ \$1,000,000 or more, and a two-year public institution receives ³ [donations totaling] an individual donation from a person, corporation or other business entity, or foundation in a fiscal year which equals³ \$250,000 or more, the institution may apply to the State Treasurer and the Treasurer shall provide as a State match from the grant fund, 10% of the amount ³[raised through donations] of that donation³. Subsequent allocations may be made from the grant fund for each additional \$1 1 million .000,000 or more in new donations raised by a four-

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year public institution ³ in a fiscal year ³; or, each additional \$250,000 or more in new donations raised by a two-year public institution ³ in a fiscal year ³ as certified by the governing body of the institution to the State Treasurer.

³When an independent institution of higher education that receives direct State aid receives an individual donation from a person, corporation or other business entity, or foundation in a fiscal year which equals \$1,000,000 or more, the institution may apply to the State Treasurer and the Treasurer shall provide as a State match from the grant fund, 10% of the amount of that donation, but not more than \$100,000. The institution shall not be eligible for a State match for a donation received in the subsequent fiscal year.³

- 5. a. In order for an institution to be eligible to receive the State match, the governing body of each institution shall provide the State Treasurer with a copy of the institution's annual independent financial audit ¹, the institution's education foundation audit, ¹ or other financial certification, as deemed appropriate by the Treasurer, that verifies that the institution has raised the necessary amount through endowment contributions or donations in order to qualify for the State match.
- b. The matching funds provided to each institution pursuant to sections 3 and 4 of this act may be used by the institution to promote institutional goals as determined by the governing body of the institution.

6. The endowment fund and the grant fund shall be administered separately by the State Treasurer. The Treasurer shall allocate from the appropriate fund each institution's ³[10% ¹and 5% ¹]³ match ³[on endowment contributions ¹[or] and 10% match on ¹ donations of \$1,000,000 or more for a four year public institution, or \$250,000 or more for a two year public institution] ³ upon certification by the governing body of the institution pursuant to subsection a. of section 5 of this act. Each fund shall consist of monies appropriated or otherwise made available to it by the Legislature and any interest received on the investment of monies in the fund.

7. The State Treasurer shall adopt, pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this act.

8. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Treasury \$5,000,000 to be divided equally between the endowment fund and the grant fund to implement the provisions of this act.

9. This act shall take effect immediately.

SENATE, No. 1237

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

208th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED JUNE 25, 1998

Sponsored by:

Senator WAYNE R. BRYANT

District 5 (Camden and Gloucester)

Senator JOHN J. MATHEUSSEN

District 4 (Camden and Gloucester)

SYNOPSIS

The "Higher Education Incentive Funding Program Act," appropriates \$5 million.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



AN ACT concerning higher education finance, supplementing chapter
62 of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes, and making an
appropriation.

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

1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Higher Education Incentive Funding Program Act."

2. The Legislature finds and declares that the rate of corporate and private giving to public institutions of higher education has historically been consistently lower than contributions made on behalf of private colleges and universities; that a mechanism is needed to provide incentives that will assist the State's public colleges and universities in their fund raising efforts; and, that the State's investment in public higher education has the potential to generate additional external support for programs and activities which could have a significant impact on the individual campuses of the State's higher education institutions.

3. a. There is created in the Department of Treasury the "Higher Education Incentive Endowment Fund," which, subject to the availability of funds, shall be used to provide a State match against private endowments made to four year public institutions of higher education and two year public institutions of higher education. When a four year public institution receives endowment contributions totaling \$1,000,000 or more, and a two year public institution receives endowment contributions totaling \$250,000 or more, the institution may apply to the State Treasurer and the Treasurer shall provide as a State match from the endowment fund, 10% of the amount raised through endowment contributions. Subsequent allocations may be made from the endowment fund for each additional \$1 million or more in new endowment contributions made to a four year public institution; or, each additional \$250,000 or more in new endowment contributions made to a two year public institution as certified by the governing body of the institution to the State Treasurer.

b. In the case of any individual endowment contribution which equals \$1,000,000 or more made to a four year public institution of higher education by a person, corporation or other business entity, or foundation, or any similar individual endowment contribution which equals \$250,000 or more made to a two year public institution, in addition to the 10% State match to which the institution is entitled pursuant to subsection a. of this section, the State Treasurer shall provide as a State match from the endowment fund in the second and each subsequent year an amount equal to 5% of that endowment

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1 contribution. The 5% State match received pursuant to this subsection 2 shall be placed in the institution's base budget.

c. As used in this section "endowment" means a contribution made to an institution which is designated as restricted by the stipulations of the donor for a specific purpose.

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b. The matching funds provided to each institution pursuant to sections 3 and 4 of this act may be used by the institution to promote institutional goals as determined by the governing body of the institution.

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- 6 provisions, the governing body of the institution must provide the
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SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1237

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: NOVEMBER 16, 1998

The Senate Education Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 1237 with Senate committee amendments.

As amended, this bill establishes the Higher Education Incentive Funding Program in the Department of the Treasury. The program will provide State matching funds for endowment contributions and private donations that are made to public and independent institutions of higher education.

Under the program, two separate funds are established in the Department of the Treasury. The first fund, the "Higher Education Incentive Endowment Fund" will be used to provide a match for private endowment contributions made to four-year and two-year public institutions of higher education and to independent institutions of higher education that receive direct State aid, or their institutionally related foundations. The bill provides that if a four-year institution receives an individual endowment contribution from a person, corporation or other business entity, or foundation in a fiscal year which equals \$1,000,000 or more, or a two-year institution receives an individual endowment contribution from the same sources in a fiscal year which equals \$250,000 or more, the institution may apply to the State Treasurer for a State match from the endowment fund equal to 10% of the contribution amount. Subsequent matches may be made from the endowment fund for additional contributions of \$1,000,000 or \$250,000, as appropriate. In the case of an independent institution higher education that receives an individual endowment contribution in a fiscal year which equals \$1,000,000 or more, the State match would be 10% of the contribution, but not more than \$100,000, and the institution would not be eligible for a State match in the subsequent fiscal year.

The bill provides an additional match from the endowment fund for an individual endowment contribution that equals \$1,000,000 or more made to a four-year public institution of higher education in a fiscal year, or a similar individual endowment contribution that equals \$250,000 or more made to a two-year public institution in a fiscal year. In addition to the initial 10% match, the bill provides another

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Office of the Governor NEWS RELEASE

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RELEASE: September 22, 1999

Gov. Christie Whitman today signed the following pieces of legislation:

S-1789, the New Jersey Homeless Youth Act, sponsored by Senators William L. Gormley (R-Atlantic) and Joseph F. Vitale (D-Middlesex) and Assembly Members Kenneth C. LeFevre (R-Atlantic) and Francis J. Blee (R-Atlantic), appropriates \$1 million to the Department of Human Services (DHS) to establish and support a comprehensive program for homeless youth. The Commissioner of the DHS will develop rules and regulations for the licensing of street outreach, basic center shelters and transitional living home programs.

Street outreach will enhance the homeless youth's accessibility to resources by locating, contacting and providing services to the youth through community-based, mobile outreach. Services may include assistance in finding shelter, food, clothing, medical care and counseling.

The basic center shelter program will provide a homeless youth with 24-hour, seven-day-a-week access to a stable out-of-home placement. Services may include family reunification, counseling, food, clothing, medical care, educational services and recreation. The shelter will help reunite the family unless it is not in the youth's best interest.

The transitional living home program will provide residential care and treatment services for up to 18 months to homeless youths between the ages of 16 and 21 who demonstrate the maturity to function with minimal adult supervision. The goal is to prepare the youth for independence and self-sufficiency. The legislation also eliminates the requirement in current law that prohibits homeless youths from obtaining emergency shelter without first obtaining either a court order or a guardian's permission.

S-160, sponsored by Senators Joseph M. Kyrillos, Jr. (R- Middlesex/Monmouth) and Joseph A. Palaia (R-Monmouth) and Assembly Members Joseph Azzolina (R-Middlesex/Monmouth) and Steve Corodemus (R-Monmouth), authorizes certain federal law enforcement officers to make arrests for violations of New Jersey law. The bill expands the list of federal law enforcement officers authorized to make arrests when serious state crimes are committed or about to be committed in their presence to include the Department of the Interior special agents, investigators, park police and park rangers and the United Sates postal police. The power of postal police officers is limited to offenses occurring on postal property while they are on duty.

S-995, sponsored by the late Senator Wynona M. Lipman (D- Essex/Union) and Senator Ronald L. Rice (D-Essex) and Assembly Member William D. Payne (D-Essex/Union), allows for the extension of property tax exemptions for certain non-profit housing corporations beyond the 35 year limit set by the 1991 Long Term Tax Exemption Law. The bill applies only to limited-dividend and non-profit housing corporations. This bill would allow a municipality to extend the term of any such tax exemption to coincide with the term of the housing corporation's mortgage financing. The mortgage duration and the

terms of any such extension shall be set forth in an agreement between the developer of the housing corporation and the affected municipality.

S-1133, sponsored by Senators Peter A. Inverso (R- Mercer/Middlesex) and Anthony R. Bucco (R- Morris) and Assembly Members Charlotte Vandervalk (R-Bergen), Steve Corodemus (R-Monmouth) and Neil M. Cohen (D-Union), provides a tax deduction to self-employers for 100% of the cost of health insurance. Under previous law, self-employers were treated the same as individuals could only deduct premiums in excess of 2% of their income as medical expense. This will change the tax treatment for self- employers to make it analogous to corporations. Under the law, corporations may deduct 100% of the cost of proving employee health insurance from their corporate income for the purpose of calculating the Corporate Business Tax.

S-585, sponsored by Senator Bernard F. Kenny, Jr. (D-Hudson) and Assembly Members Raul "Rudy" Garcia (D-Hudson) and Nicholas R. Felice (R-Bergen/Passaic), makes religious organizations, fraternal organizations, and certain educational institutions eligible for funding from the New Jersey Green Acres, Cultural Centers and Historic Preservation Bond Act of 1987, in addition to non-profit cultural centers that are currently eligible.

S-1448, sponsored by Senator Diane B. Allen (R-Burlington/Camden) and Assembly Members Rose Marie Heck (R-Bergen) and Jerry Green (D- Middlesex/Somerset/Union), appropriates \$95,000 to establish a permanent Council on Gender Parity in Labor and Education with the State Employment and Training Commission. The new council will help ensure that federal and state gender equity initiatives are implemented effectively in communities, schools and public agencies.

S-1960, sponsored by Senators Henry P. McNamara (R-Bergen/Passaic) and Robert E. Littell (R-Sussex/Hunterdon/Morris) and Assembly Members E. Scott Garrett (R-Sussex/Hunterdon/ Morris) and Guy R. Gregg (R- Sussex/Hunterdon/Morris), formalizes and makes permanent the municipal financial aid offset formula and program for the loss of property tax revenue as a result of the moratorium on the sale of watershed lands. For the last several years, the offset has been provided for through language inserted in the state annual Appropriations Act.

The amount of aid to be provided annually to every municipality where property is subject to the watershed moratorium is based on a formula of \$68.50 per acre of such lands in the municipality, to be adjusted annually by reference to the Consumer Price Index. The bill also appropriates \$3.4 million from the General Fund to the Department of Community Affairs for the purpose of providing watershed moratorium offset aid to qualifying municipalities for Fiscal Year 2000.

SCS for A-1983 and S-1237, sponsored by Assembly Members Francis J. Blee (R-Atlantic) and David W. Wolfe (R-Monmouth/Ocean) and Senators Wayne R. Bryant (D-Camden/Gloucester) and John J. Matheussen (R-Camden/Gloucester), creates the Higher Education Incentive Funding Program Act and appropriates \$5 million for state matching funds. The bill establishes within the Department of Treasury a program under which New Jersey's public and private institutions of higher education that receive substantial gifts of cash or marketable securities would qualify for state funds partially matching those gifts. The amount of matching funds payable would depend upon whether the gifts were endowment contributions or donations, and also upon the type of institution to which the gifts are made.

S-1074, sponsored by Senators Donald T. DiFrancesco (R- Middlesex/Morris/Somerset/Union) and Joseph M. Kyrillos, Jr. (R- Middlesex/Monmouth) and Assembly Members Joseph Azzolina (R- Middlesex/Monmouth) and Anthony Impreveduto (D-Bergen/Hudson, provides expanded sales and use tax exemptions for the film and video industry. Under current law, film production equipment including cameras, lighting equipment, sound recorders and film are exempt from the sales tax. This legislation expands the list to mirror those exempted in New York by exempting all products used and consumed directly and primarily kin the production of a film. Newly tax exempt products include cars, lumber and supplies used in the production of a film. Tangible personal property incidental to the making of a film such as accommodations, prepared foods, and other products used by the film crew and actors and actresses would continue to be taxable.