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# P.L. 1996, CHAPTER 48, *approved June 28, 1996*Assembly No. 33

AN ACT concerning the deposit of certain public school facilities loan fund repayments into the General Fund and amending and supplementing P.L.1993, c.102.

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

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- 1. Section 4 of P.L.1993, c.102 (C.34:1B-7.23) is amended to read as follows:
- 10 4. The authority shall establish and maintain a special а. 11 nonlapsing revolving fund to be known as the "Public School Facilities 12 Code Compliance Loan Fund," hereinafter the "compliance fund," which shall be credited with: (1) the \$25 million allocated from the 13 14 Economic Recovery Fund pursuant to paragraph (1) of subsection d. 15 of section 4 of P.L.1992, c.16 (C.34:1B-7:13); (2) any moneys that 16 shall be received by the authority from the repayment of loans made 17 from the compliance fund and interest thereon; and (3) any other

moneys which the authority determines to deposit therein.

- 19 b. The authority may use the moneys in the compliance fund to 20 finance not less than 25%, and not more than 50%, of the total cost of any project, in accordance with the criteria set forth in this section, for 21 22 the purpose of providing low-interest loans to school districts, to 23 finance the renovation, repair or other alteration of existing school 24 buildings, the construction of new school buildings or the conversion of existing school buildings to other instructional purposes, if such 25 26 renovation, repair, alteration, construction or conversion is required to bring buildings that, at the time of application, do not meet State
- to bring buildings that, at the time of application, do not meet State health and safety code requirements, into compliance with those requirements.
  - c. Upon application by a school district for a low-interest loan, the commissioner is authorized and empowered to determine whether the renovations, repairs, alterations, conversion or construction are necessary to meet State health and safety code requirements. If the commissioner determines that such work is necessary, the commissioner shall certify that the school district is eligible for a low-interest loan pursuant to this section to finance the renovation, repair, alteration, conversion or construction described in the application.
- d. (1) Upon certification, the commissioner shall waive the holding of a referendum or the requirement for approval by a board of school estimate pursuant to subsection (d) of N.J.S.18A:20-4.2 or

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- 1 N.J.S.18A:24-5 et seq., as the case may be, or the requirement for
- 2 approval of the project by a capital projects control board pursuant to
- 3 P.L.1991, c.139 (C.18A:7A-46.1 et seq.), as appropriate, and the
- 4 school district may, upon receiving the certification and waiver, apply
- 5 to the authority for a loan pursuant to this section. The terms of the
- 6 loan and the repayment schedule shall be established by the authority.
- The repayments to the authority by the school districts shall be treated 7
- 8 as net debt service by the school districts for school aid purposes. In
- 9 addition to the amount of taxes determined by the legal voters of the
- 10 district at the annual school election, the secretary of the board of
- 11 education shall certify the amount required for the repayment of the
- interest and principal of the loan in the same manner required for 12
- 13 interest and debt redemption charges pursuant to N.J.S.18A:22-33,
- 14 and the amount so certified shall be included in the taxes assessed,
- 15 levied and collected in the municipality or municipalities comprising
- 16 the school district for such purposes.

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- (2) All repayments, and interest thereon, shall be deposited by the authority in the compliance fund, for use in the manner provided for in this section, except insofar as the authority may direct that such amounts be deposited in the small projects fund established pursuant to section 7 of [this 1993 amendatory and supplementary act]
- 22 P.L.1993, c.102 (C.34:1B-7.25).
- 23 (3) Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary,
- 24 on and after the effective date of P.L., c. (C.) (now pending
- 25 before the Legislature as this bill), any loan repayments and interest
- 26 thereon on deposit or deposited into the compliance fund shall be paid
- 27 by the authority to the State Treasurer for deposit into the General
- 28 Fund of the State, provided that the payment does not violate any
- 29 existing agreement of the authority with bondholders.
- e. The authority, in consultation with the commissioner shall, in 30
- 31 determining whether to grant approval of any loan application
- 32 pursuant to this section, take into consideration the severity of the
- 33 need for the particular project, the ability of the school district to
- 34 begin and complete the project in an expeditious manner, the ability of
- 35 the school district to proceed with the funding of the balance of the
- 36 funds for the project, and the extent to which the approval of the
- 37 project contributes to the equable distribution of monies in the
- 38 compliance fund.
- 39 f. The balance of the moneys needed for a project for which an
- 40 application for a loan is made pursuant to this section may be funded 41
- by the school district by: (1) the issuance of bonds, or other borrowing, excluding lease-purchase agreements, pursuant to the 42
- 43 provisions of subsection (d) of N.J.S.18A:20-4.2, N.J.S.18A:24-5 et
- seq., or P.L.1991, c.139 (C.18A:7A-46.1 et seq.), as appropriate; 44
- 45 except that the commissioner shall waive the holding of a referendum
- 46 or the requirement for approval by a board of school estimate pursuant

- 1 to subsection (d) of N.J.S.18A:20-4.2, or N.J.S.18A:24-5 et seq., as 2 the case may be, or the requirement for approval of the project by a 3 capital projects control board pursuant to P.L.1991, c.139 4 (C.18A:7A-46.1 et seq.), as appropriate; (2) borrowing from the 5 "Public Schools Small Projects Loan Assistance Fund" established 6 pursuant to section 7 [of this 1993 amendatory and supplementary act] 7 of P.L.1993, c.102 (C.34:1B-7.25), if the total cost of the project does 8 not exceed \$5,000,000, and in any such case the commissioner shall 9 waive the holding of a referendum or the requirement for approval by a board of school estimate pursuant to subsection (d) of 10 11 N.J.S.18A:20-4.2 or N.J.S.18A:24-5 et seq., as the case may be, or 12 approval of the project by a capital projects control board pursuant to 13 P.L.1991, c.139 (C.18A:7A-46.1 et seq.), as appropriate; (3) monies 14 of the school district not necessary for the completion of any other 15 specific projects; and (4) any other lawful source; except that no 16 project funded or approved to be funded by school district bonds authorized, pursuant to law, prior to December 31, 1992 shall be 17 funded pursuant to [this 1993 amendatory and supplementary act] 18 19 P.L.1993, c.102 (C.34:1B-7.20 et al.). 20
  - g. Any school district shall be eligible to receive additional loans pursuant to this section even if the district has received a previous loan; provided that those additional loans are in conformity with the selection criteria established pursuant to this section.
  - h. Net earnings received from the investment or deposit of monies in the compliance fund by the authority shall be redeposited in the fund for use for the purposes of this section.

(cf: P.L.1993, c.102, s.4)

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- 2. Section 5 of P.L.1993, c.102 (C.34:7B-24) is amended to read as follows:
- 31 5. a. The authority shall establish and maintain a special 32 nonlapsing revolving fund to be known as the "Public School Facilities Loan Assistance Fund," hereinafter the "facilities fund," which shall be 33 credited with: (1) not less than \$105,000,000 from the amount of 34 35 capital funding appropriated for school facilities pursuant to the annual 36 appropriations act for the State fiscal year ending June 30, 1994, P.L.1993 c.155; (2) the \$20,000,000 allocated from the Economic 37 38 Recovery Fund pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection d. of section 39 4 of P.L.1992, c.16 (C.34:1B-7.13); (3) any monies that shall be 40 received by the authority from the repayment of loans made from the 41 facilities fund and interest thereon; and (4) any other moneys which the 42 authority determines to deposit therein. 43
  - b. The authority may use the moneys in the facilities fund to provide for low interest loans to finance not less than 25%, and not more than 50%, of the total cost of any project, in accordance with the criteria set forth in this section, for the purpose of renovation, repair

or other alteration of existing school buildings, for construction of new school buildings or for the conversion of existing school buildings to other instructional purposes, whether or not that renovation, repair, alteration, construction or conversion is required to bring buildings that, at the time of application do not meet State health and safety code requirements, into compliance with those requirements.

- c. Upon application by any school district to the authority for a loan to be made pursuant to subsection b. of this section, the authority shall, in consultation with the commissioner, determine whether to grant approval for the loan based upon the appropriate authorization for the loan pursuant to subsection (d) of N.J.S.18A:20-4.2, or the project pursuant to P.L.1991, c.139 (C.18A:7A-46.1 et seq.), as the case may be, the relationship of the project to the enhancement of the school's academic programs, the ability of the school district to begin and complete the project in an expeditious manner, the ability of the school district to proceed with the funding of the balance of the moneys needed for the project, and the extent to which approval of the project would contribute to the equable distribution of monies in the facilities fund.
- The balance of the moneys needed for a project for which an application for a loan is made pursuant to subsection b. of this section may be funded by the school district by: (1) the issuance of bonds, or other borrowing, excluding lease-purchase agreements, pursuant to the provisions of subsection (d) of N.J.S.18A:20-4.2, N.J.S.18A:24-5 et seq., or P.L.1991, c.139 (C.18A:7A-46.1 et seq.) as appropriate; (2) if the borrowing of money or the issuance of bonds is authorized pursuant to subsection (d) of N.J.S.18A:20-4.2 or N.J.S.18A:24-5 et seq., as the case may be, or if the project is approved pursuant to P.L.1991, c.139 (C.18A:7A-46.1 et seq.), as appropriate, borrowing from the "Public Schools Small Projects Loan Assistance Fund" established pursuant to section 7 of this 1993 amendatory and supplementary act P.L.1993, c.102 (C. 34:1B-7.25), if the total cost of the project does not exceed \$5,000,000; (3) monies of the school district not necessary for the completion of any other specific projects; and (4) any other lawful source; except that no project funded or approved to be funded by school district bonds authorized, pursuant to law, prior to December 31, 1992 shall be funded pursuant to [this 1993 amendatory and supplementary act] P.L.1993, c.102 (C.34:1B-7.20 et al.).
- e. (1) The authority shall establish the terms of the loan which shall include, but not be limited to, the rate of interest, a schedule for drawing down loan funds, and a repayment schedule. The repayments shall be treated by the school district as net debt service for school aid purposes. In addition to the amount of taxes determined by the legal voters of the district at the annual school election, the secretary of the board of education shall certify the amount required for the repayment

- 1 of the interest and principal of the loan in the same manner required
- 2 for interest and debt redemption charges pursuant to N.J.S.18A:22-33,
- 3 and the amount so certified shall be included in the taxes assessed,
- levied and collected in the municipality or municipalities comprising 4
- 5 the school district for such purposes.
- 6 (2) All repayments, and interest thereon, shall be deposited by the 7 authority in the facilities fund for use in the manner provided for in this 8 section, except insofar as the authority may direct that such amounts 9 be deposited in the small projects fund established pursuant to section 7 of [this 1993 amendatory and supplementary act] P.L.1993, c.102 10
- 11 (C.34:1B-7.25).
- 12 (3) Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, 13 on and after the effective date of P.L. c. (C. ) (now pending 14 before the Legislature as this bill), any loan repayments and interest 15 thereon on deposit or deposited into the facilities fund shall be paid by
- 16 the authority to the State Treasurer for deposit into the General Fund
- 17 of the State, provided that the payment shall not violate any existing
- agreement of the authority with bondholders. 18
  - f. Net earnings received from the investment or deposit of monies in the facilities fund by the authority shall be redeposited in the fund for use for the purposes of this section.
- 22 (cf: P.L.1993, c.102, s.5)

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3. (New section) The amount of loan repayments and interest thereon paid by the authority from the compliance fund and the facilities fund to the State Treasurer for deposit into the General Fund of the State pursuant to the provisions of P.L., c. (C. pending before the Legislature as this bill) shall not exceed \$20,500,000. At such time as the authority has paid to the State Treasurer an amount equal to \$20,500,000 for deposit into the General Fund, loan repayments and the interest thereon shall be applied as set forth in paragraph (2) of subsection d. of section 4 of P.L.1993, c.102 (C.34:1B-7.23) and paragraph (2) of subsection e. of section 5 of P.L.1993, c.102 (C.34:1B-7.24).

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4. This act shall take effect immediately.

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## **STATEMENT**

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41 This bill amends the "Public School Capital Finance Assistance 42 Act," P.L.1993, c.102, to provide that repayment of loans made to 43 public school districts from the Public School Facilities Code Compliance Loan Fund and the Public School Facilities Loan 44 45 Assistance Fund, in an amount not to exceed \$20.5 million, shall be paid to the State Treasurer for deposit into the General Fund. Once 46

1 the amount of transferred funds reaches \$20.5 million, loan repayments 2 will again be applied for the purposes specified in the original act. 3 The Fiscal Year 1997 budget recommends transferring \$20.5 million of the amount which has accumulated in these revolving loan 4 5 fund accounts. 6 7 8 9 10 Authorizes the transfer of certain public school facilities loan fund 11 repayments into the General Fund.

# ASSEMBLY, No. 33

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

#### **INTRODUCED JUNE 17, 1996**

#### By Assemblyman GREGG

1	AN ACT	concerning th	ne dep	osit	of certain	public	scho	ol facilities	loan
2	fund	repayments	into	the	General	Fund	and	amending	and
3	supplementing P.L.1993, c.102.								

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  11 nonlapsing revolving fund to be known as the "Public School Facilities
- 12 Code Compliance Loan Fund," hereinafter the "compliance fund,"
- which shall be credited with: (1) the \$25 million allocated from the
- 14 Economic Recovery Fund pursuant to paragraph (1) of subsection d.
- 15 of section 4 of P.L.1992, c.16 (C.34:1B-7:13); (2) any moneys that
- shall be received by the authority from the repayment of loans made
- 17 from the compliance fund and interest thereon; and (3) any other
- 18 moneys which the authority determines to deposit therein.
- b. The authority may use the moneys in the compliance fund to
- finance not less than 25%, and not more than 50%, of the total cost of
- any project, in accordance with the criteria set forth in this section, for the purpose of providing low-interest loans to school districts, to
- 23 finance the renovation, repair or other alteration of existing school
- 24 buildings, the construction of new school buildings or the conversion
- 25 of existing school buildings to other instructional purposes, if such
- 26 renovation, repair, alteration, construction or conversion is required
- 27 to bring buildings that, at the time of application, do not meet State
- 28 health and safety code requirements, into compliance with those
- 29 requirements.
- 30 c. Upon application by a school district for a low-interest loan, the
- 31 commissioner is authorized and empowered to determine whether the
- 32 renovations, repairs, alterations, conversion or construction are
- 33 necessary to meet State health and safety code requirements. If the
- 34 commissioner determines that such work is necessary, the

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1 commissioner shall certify that the school district is eligible for a

2 low-interest loan pursuant to this section to finance the renovation,

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5 d. (1) Upon certification, the commissioner shall waive the holding of a referendum or the requirement for approval by a board of school 6 7 estimate pursuant to subsection (d) of N.J.S.18A:20-4.2 or 8 N.J.S.18A:24-5 et seq., as the case may be, or the requirement for 9 approval of the project by a capital projects control board pursuant to 10 P.L.1991, c.139 (C.18A:7A-46.1 et seq.), as appropriate, and the 11 school district may, upon receiving the certification and waiver, apply 12 to the authority for a loan pursuant to this section. The terms of the 13 loan and the repayment schedule shall be established by the authority. 14 The repayments to the authority by the school districts shall be treated 15 as net debt service by the school districts for school aid purposes. In addition to the amount of taxes determined by the legal voters of the 16 17 district at the annual school election, the secretary of the board of 18 education shall certify the amount required for the repayment of the 19 interest and principal of the loan in the same manner required for 20 interest and debt redemption charges pursuant to N.J.S.18A:22-33, and the amount so certified shall be included in the taxes assessed, 21

(2) All repayments, and interest thereon, shall be deposited by the authority in the compliance fund, for use in the manner provided for in this section, except insofar as the authority may direct that such amounts be deposited in the small projects fund established pursuant to section 7 of [this 1993 amendatory and supplementary act] P.L.1993, c.102 (C.34:1B-7.25).

levied and collected in the municipality or municipalities comprising

the school district for such purposes.

- (3) Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, on and after the effective date of P.L., c. (C.) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill), any loan repayments and interest thereon on deposit or deposited into the compliance fund shall be paid by the authority to the State Treasurer for deposit into the General Fund of the State, provided that the payment does not violate any existing agreement of the authority with bondholders.
- 37 e. The authority, in consultation with the commissioner shall, in determining whether to grant approval of any loan application 38 39 pursuant to this section, take into consideration the severity of the 40 need for the particular project, the ability of the school district to 41 begin and complete the project in an expeditious manner, the ability of 42 the school district to proceed with the funding of the balance of the 43 funds for the project, and the extent to which the approval of the project contributes to the equable distribution of monies in the 44 45 compliance fund.
- f. The balance of the moneys needed for a project for which an

1 application for a loan is made pursuant to this section may be funded 2 by the school district by: (1) the issuance of bonds, or other 3 borrowing, excluding lease-purchase agreements, pursuant to the 4 provisions of subsection (d) of N.J.S.18A:20-4.2, N.J.S.18A:24-5 et 5 seq., or P.L.1991, c.139 (C.18A:7A-46.1 et seq.), as appropriate; 6 except that the commissioner shall waive the holding of a referendum 7 or the requirement for approval by a board of school estimate pursuant 8 to subsection (d) of N.J.S.18A:20-4.2, or N.J.S.18A:24-5 et seq., as 9 the case may be, or the requirement for approval of the project by a capital projects control board pursuant to P.L.1991, c.139 10 11 (C.18A:7A-46.1 et seq.), as appropriate; (2) borrowing from the 12 "Public Schools Small Projects Loan Assistance Fund" established 13 pursuant to section 7 [of this 1993 amendatory and supplementary act] 14 of P.L.1993, c.102 (C.34:1B-7.25), if the total cost of the project does 15 not exceed \$5,000,000, and in any such case the commissioner shall 16 waive the holding of a referendum or the requirement for approval by 17 a board of school estimate pursuant to subsection (d) of N.J.S.18A:20-4.2 or N.J.S.18A:24-5 et seq., as the case may be, or 18 19 approval of the project by a capital projects control board pursuant to 20 P.L.1991, c.139 (C.18A:7A-46.1 et seq.), as appropriate; (3) monies 21 of the school district not necessary for the completion of any other 22 specific projects; and (4) any other lawful source; except that no 23 project funded or approved to be funded by school district bonds 24 authorized, pursuant to law, prior to December 31, 1992 shall be 25 funded pursuant to [this 1993 amendatory and supplementary act] 26 P.L.1993, c.102 (C.34:1B-7.20 et al.). 27

- g. Any school district shall be eligible to receive additional loans pursuant to this section even if the district has received a previous loan; provided that those additional loans are in conformity with the selection criteria established pursuant to this section.
- 31 h. Net earnings received from the investment or deposit of monies 32 in the compliance fund by the authority shall be redeposited in the fund for use for the purposes of this section. 33
- 34 (cf: P.L.1993, c.102, s.4)

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- c. Upon application by any school district to the authority for a loan to be made pursuant to subsection b. of this section, the authority shall, in consultation with the commissioner, determine whether to grant approval for the loan based upon the appropriate authorization for the loan pursuant to subsection (d) of N.J.S.18A:20-4.2, or the project pursuant to P.L.1991, c.139 (C.18A:7A-46.1 et seq.), as the case may be, the relationship of the project to the enhancement of the school's academic programs, the ability of the school district to begin and complete the project in an expeditious manner, the ability of the school district to proceed with the funding of the balance of the moneys needed for the project, and the extent to which approval of the project would contribute to the equable distribution of monies in the facilities fund.
- d. The balance of the moneys needed for a project for which an application for a loan is made pursuant to subsection b. of this section may be funded by the school district by: (1) the issuance of bonds, or other borrowing, excluding lease-purchase agreements, pursuant to the provisions of subsection (d) of N.J.S.18A:20-4.2, N.J.S.18A:24-5 et seq., or P.L.1991, c.139 (C.18A:7A-46.1 et seq.) as appropriate; (2) if the borrowing of money or the issuance of bonds is authorized pursuant to subsection (d) of N.J.S.18A:20-4.2 or N.J.S.18A:24-5 et seq., as the case may be, or if the project is approved pursuant to P.L.1991, c.139 (C.18A:7A-46.1 et seq.), as appropriate, borrowing from the "Public Schools Small Projects Loan Assistance Fund" established pursuant to section 7 of [this 1993 amendatory and supplementary act P.L.1993, c.102 (C. 34:1B-7.25), if the total cost of the project does not exceed \$5,000,000; (3) monies of the school district not necessary for the completion of any other specific projects; and (4) any other lawful source; except that no project funded or approved to be funded by school district bonds authorized, pursuant to law, prior to December 31, 1992 shall be funded pursuant to this 1993 amendatory and supplementary act] P.L.1993, c.102 (C.34:1B-7.20 et al.).

- e. (1) The authority shall establish the terms of the loan which shall include, but not be limited to, the rate of interest, a schedule for drawing down loan funds, and a repayment schedule. The repayments shall be treated by the school district as net debt service for school aid purposes. In addition to the amount of taxes determined by the legal voters of the district at the annual school election, the secretary of the board of education shall certify the amount required for the repayment of the interest and principal of the loan in the same manner required for interest and debt redemption charges pursuant to N.J.S.18A:22-33, and the amount so certified shall be included in the taxes assessed, levied and collected in the municipality or municipalities comprising the school district for such purposes.
  - (2) All repayments, and interest thereon, shall be deposited by the authority in the facilities fund for use in the manner provided for in this section, except insofar as the authority may direct that such amounts be deposited in the small projects fund established pursuant to section 7 of [this 1993 amendatory and supplementary act] P.L.1993, c.102 (C.34:1B-7.25).
  - (3) Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, on and after the effective date of P.L., c. (C.) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill), any loan repayments and interest thereon on deposit or deposited into the facilities fund shall be paid by the authority to the State Treasurer for deposit into the General Fund of the State, provided that the payment shall not violate any existing agreement of the authority with bondholders.
  - f. Net earnings received from the investment or deposit of monies in the facilities fund by the authority shall be redeposited in the fund for use for the purposes of this section.

29 (cf: P.L.1993, c.102, s.5)

3. (New section) The amount of loan repayments and interest thereon paid by the authority from the compliance fund and the facilities fund to the State Treasurer for deposit into the General Fund of the State pursuant to the provisions of P.L., c. (C.) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill) shall not exceed \$20,500,000. At such time as the authority has paid to the State Treasurer an amount equal to \$20,500,000 for deposit into the General Fund, loan repayments and the interest thereon shall be applied as set forth in paragraph (2) of subsection d. of section 4 of P.L.1993, c.102 (C.34:1B-7.23) and paragraph (2) of subsection e. of section 5 of P.L.1993, c.102 (C.34:1B-7.24).

4. This act shall take effect immediately.

1	STATEMENT							
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3	This bill amends the "Public School Capital Finance Assistance							
4	Act," P.L.1993, c.102, to provide that repayment of loans made to							
5	public school districts from the Public School Facilities Code							
6	Compliance Loan Fund and the Public School Facilities Loan							
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9	the amount of transferred funds reaches \$20.5 million, loan repayments							
10	will again be applied for the purposes specified in the original act.							
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## ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT TO

# ASSEMBLY, No. 33

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

**DATED: JUNE 20, 1996** 

The Assembly Appropriations Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 33.

Assistance Act," P.L.1993, c.102, to provide that repayment of loans made to public school districts from the Public School Facilities Code Compliance Loan Fund and the Public School Facilities Loan Assistance Fund, in an amount not to exceed \$20.5 million, will be paid to the State Treasurer for deposit into the General Fund. Once the amount of transferred funds reaches \$20.5 million, loan repayments will again be applied for the purposes specified in the original act.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**:

The Governor's Fiscal Year 1997 recommended budget includes a transfer of \$20.5 million from the from the Public School Facilities Code Compliance Loan Fund and the Public School Facilities Loan Assistance Fund to the General Fund.

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

# BUDGET



# FISCAL YEAR 1996 - 1997

# Christine Todd Whitman Governor

Brian W. Clymer State Treasurer

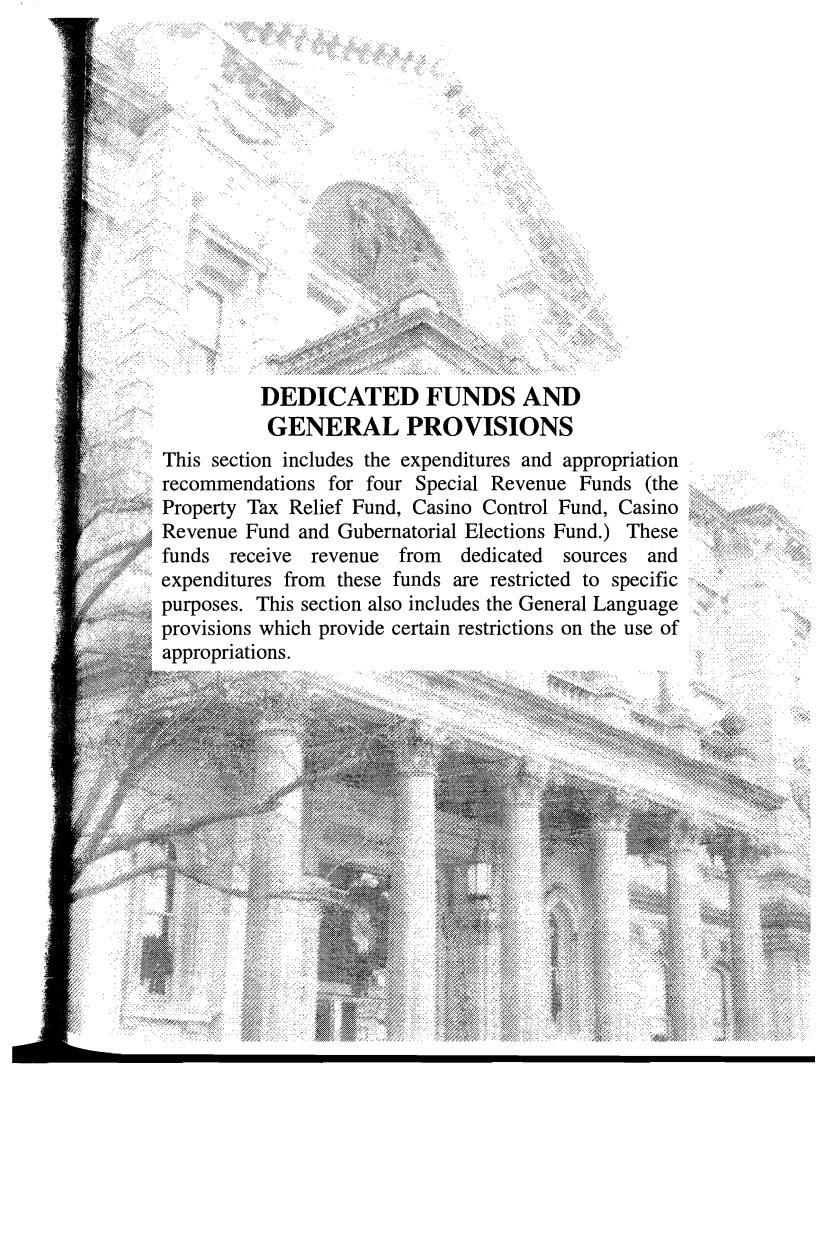
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Peter R. Lawrance Deputy Director

Linda Grissell Assistant Director

JANUARY 29, 1996



#### GENERAL FUND PROVISIONS

There are appropriated, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting, from interest earnings of the various bond funds, such sums as may be necessary for the State to comply with the federal "Tax Reform Act of 1986," Pub. L.99-514 (26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.) which requires issuers of tax-exempt debt obligations to rebate any arbitrage earnings to the federal government.

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In order to provide effective cash flow management for revenues and expenditures of the General Fund and the Property Tax Relief Fund to implement the fiscal year 1997 annual appropriations act, there are appropriated from the General Fund such sums as may be required to pay the principal of and interest on tax and revenue anticipation notes including notes in the form of commercial paper (hereinafter collectively referred to as short-term notes), together with any costs or obligations relating to the issuance thereof of contracts related thereto, according to the terms set forth herein. Provided further that, to the extent that short-term notes are issued for cash flow management purposes in connection with the Property Tax Relief Fund, there are appropriated from the Property Tax Relief Fund such sums as may be required to pay the principal of those short-term notes.

The State Treasurer is authorized to issue short-term notes, which notes shall not constitute a general obligation of the State or a debt or a liability within the meaning of the State Constitution and the State Treasurer is authorized to pay any costs or obligations relating to the issuance of such short-term notes or contracts relating thereto. Such short-term notes shall be issued in such amounts and at such times as the State Treasurer shall deem necessary for the above stated purposes and for the payment of related costs, and on such terms and conditions, sold in such manner and at such prices, bearing interest at such fixed or variable rate or rates, renewable at such time or times, and entitled to such security, and using such paying agents as shall be determined by the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer is authorized to enter into such contracts and to take such other actions, all as determined by the State Treasurer to be appropriate to carry out the above cash flow management purposes. The State Treasurer shall give consideration to New Jersey-based vendors in entering into such contracts. Whenever the State Treasurer issues such short-term notes, the State Treasurer shall report on each such issuance to the Chairman of the Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee and the Chairman of the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

Such sums as may be necessary are appropriated to fund the costs of auditors, attorneys subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting. The Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting shall provide the Joint Budget Oversight Committee or its successor, with written reports on the detailed appropriation and expenditure of such sums within each agency.

None of the funds appropriated to the Executive Branch of State government for Information Processing, Development, Telecommunications, and Related Services (External), Information Processing-Internal, and Information Processing and Telecommunications Equipment shall be available to pay for any information processing services or equipment without the review of the Office of Telecommunications and Information Systems and compliance with statewide policies and standards; authorization and approval by the Office of Telecommunications and Information Systems is required for expenditure of amounts in excess of the current Direct Purchase Authorization (DPA) threshold.

There are appropriated such sums as may be required to pay interest liabilities to the federal government as required by the Treasury/State agreement pursuant to the provisions of the Cash Management Improvement Act of 1990, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

The unexpended balances as of June 30, 1996 in accounts that are funded by Interfund Transfers are appropriated, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

Notwithstanding the provisions of P.L. 1990, c.44 (C.52:9H-14 et seq.), balances in the Surplus Revenue Fund may be appropriated to offset reductions in federal funds.

Notwithstanding the provisions of P.L. 1983, c.303 (C.52:27H-60), each of the municipalities in which an enterprise zone is designated whose separate account in enterprise zone assistance fund was reduced in the FY 1995 shall be entitled to receive such additional sums, not to exceed 100% of the annual sales tax revenue collected by certified vendors in their individual zones, to be distributed in a cumulative amount not to exceed: Bridgeton (\$690,000), Camden (\$225,000), Elizabeth (\$3,300,000), Jersey City (\$3,870,000), Kearny (\$780,000), Millville (\$285,000), Newark (\$1,680,000), Orange (\$285,000), Plainfield (\$435,000), Trenton (\$795,000), and Vineland (\$2,655,000), subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

Whenever any county, municipality, or school district entitled to receive State aid from appropriations made herein withholds funds from State agencies entitled to payment for services, the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting is authorized to withhold State aid payments to such county, municipality, or school district and transfer the same as payment for funds so withheld.

If the sum provided in this Act for a State aid payment pursuant to formula is insufficient to meet the full requirements of the formula, all recipients of State aid shall have their allocation proportionately reduced, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

There is appropriated, from loan repayments to the Economic Development Authority, \$20,500,000 from the Public School Capital Facilities Code Compliance Loan Fund and the Public School Facilities Loan Assistance Fund for transfer to the General Fund as State revenue, subject to the enactment of enabling legislation.

There is appropriated \$11,330,000 from the Sanitary Landfill Facility Contingency Fund for transfer to the General Fund as State revenue.

There is appropriated \$3,250,000 from the New Home Warranty Security Fund for transfer to the General Fund as State revenue.

