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(Legislative Initiative Municipal
Block Grant Program)

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SENATE: Budget

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SENATE: June 26, 1995

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P.L.1995, CHAPTER 247, approved September 12, 1995
1995 Senate No. 2066

1 AN ACT establishing the Legislative Initiative Municipal Block
2 Grant Program, supplementing Title 52 of the Revised Statutes.

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5 State of New Jersey:

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7 each State fiscal year an amount not less than \$33,000,000 for
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11 number of residents of each municipality as determined pursuant
12 to the most recent federal decennial census. The payment of
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15 of reducing the amount the municipality is required to raise by
16 local property tax levy for municipal purposes. If the amount of
17 the payment exceeds the amount required to be raised by local
18 property tax levy for municipal purposes, the balance of the
19 payment shall be used to reduce the amount the municipality is
20 required to collect for county purposes, notwithstanding the
21 provisions of this or any other law to the contrary. The Director
22 of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department
23 of Community Affairs shall certify annually that each
24 municipality has complied with the requirements set forth herein.

25 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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31 Program enacted as part of the appropriations act for the 1995
32 fiscal year a permanent program of State block grant aid to
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35 appropriated by the 1995 appropriations act, to the program. The
36 funds are distributed to municipalities based on their population,
37 as measured by the most recent federal decennial census. The
38 funds must be used for property tax reduction.

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SENATE, No. 2066

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED MAY 25, 1995

By Senators KOSCO, HAINES, Ciesla, Matheussen, Singer,
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SENATE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 2066

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 22, 1995

The Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 2066.

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As reported, this bill is identical to the Assembly Committee Substitute for Assembly Bill Nos. 2963 and 2758 of 1995.

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill requires the Legislature to annually appropriate not less than \$33 million to municipalities, distributed on the basis of population, for property tax reduction.