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# [SECOND REPRINT] ASSEMBLY, No. 745

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

#### PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 1992 SESSION

## By Assemblyman SHINN

AN ACT establishing the State Transfer of Development Rights Bank <sup>1</sup>[and], <sup>1</sup> supplementing <sup>1</sup>[P.L.1975, c.291 (C.40:55D-1 et seq.)] chapter 1C of Title 4 of the Revised Statutes, <sup>2</sup> amending P.L.1989, c.86<sup>2</sup> and making an appropriation. <sup>1</sup>

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 "State Transfer of Development Rights Bank Act."
  - 2. As used in this act:

1"Board" means the board of directors of the State Transfer of Development Rights Bank established pursuant to section 3 of this act; 1

"Development potential" means the maximum number of dwelling units or square feet of nonresidential floor area that may be constructed on a specified lot or in a specified zone under the master plan and land use regulations in effect on the date of the adoption of the development transfer ordinance, and in accordance with recognized environmental constraints;

"Development transfer" means the conveyance of development potential, or the permission for development, from one or more lots to one or more other lots by deed, easement, or other means as authorized by ordinance adopted pursuant to law;

"Instrument" means the easement, credit, or other deed restriction used to record a development transfer;

"State Transfer of Development Rights Bank," "bank" or "State TDR Bank" means the bank established pursuant to section 3 of this act <sup>1</sup>, and shall constitute the development potential transfer bank for the purposes of P.L.1989, c.183<sup>1</sup>.

3. a. There is established in the Executive Branch of the State Government a public body corporate and politic, with corporate succession, to be known as the State Transfer of Development Rights Bank. For the purpose of complying with the provisions of Article V, Section IV, paragraph 1 of the New Jersey Constitution, the bank is allocated within the <sup>1</sup>office of the State Agriculture Development Committee within the <sup>1</sup> Department of <sup>1</sup>[the Treasury] Agriculture 1, but notwithstanding that allocation, the bank shall be independent of any supervision or control by the <sup>1</sup>committee or the <sup>1</sup> department or by <sup>1</sup>[an] any <sup>1</sup> officer or employee thereof, except as otherwise expressly provided in this act. The bank is constituted as an instrumentality of the

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

 State exercising public and essential governmental functions, and the exercise by the bank of the powers conferred by this act is deemed to be an essential governmental function of the State.

- b.  $1(1)^1$  The bank shall be governed by a board of directors consisting of <sup>1</sup>[five] ten<sup>1</sup> voting <sup>1</sup>[ex officio]<sup>1</sup> members, or the designees thereof, as follows: the <sup>1</sup>[State Treasurer] Secretary of Agriculture<sup>1</sup>, who shall serve as chairperson <sup>1</sup>and who shall vote only in the event there is a tie vote<sup>1</sup>; the <sup>1</sup>[Secretary of State Treasurer<sup>1</sup>; the Commissioner Agriculture] Environmental Protection; the Commissioner of Transportation; <sup>1</sup>[and] the Commissioner of Banking; <sup>1</sup> the Commissioner of Community Affairs; 1the President of the State Board of Agriculture; the Chairman of the State Planning Commission; the President of the Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissions; 1 and 1 [four members to] one member of the general public, who shall be a farmer actively engaged in agriculture in New Jersey and who shall 1 be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate <sup>1</sup>[, from the general public, no more than two of whom shall be from the same political party]<sup>1</sup>.
- <sup>1</sup>(2) All members of the board, except the member of the general public, shall serve ex officio. The term of the member of the general public shall be for four years, with reappointment possible for a second term only.
- (3)<sup>1</sup> A majority of the membership <sup>1</sup>of the board <sup>1</sup> shall constitute a quorum except that no action may be taken by the board except upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the total membership of the board. Designees of the <sup>1</sup>[five] <u>nine</u><sup>1</sup> ex officio members shall have the power to vote in the absence of members.
- <sup>1</sup>c. (1) Upon request of the board, the State Agriculture Development Committee shall provide that appropriate staff be made available to assist and advise the board in performing its functions, duties, and responsibilities pursuant to this act.
- (2) Officials of State agencies serving on the board shall, to the maximum extent practicable and without remuneration from the board, avail the board of the expertise of their agencies in the areas of land use and planning, banking, law, agriculture, natural resource protection, historic site preservation, and other areas of expertise required by the board to adequately address the broader public and planning purposes of transfer of development rights and of the State Transfer of Development Rights Bank.
- (3) Funding necessary to provide the board with direct staff assistance or professional services that cannot be made available through existing State agency staff as provided in this subsection shall be made available as provided for pursuant to section 8 of this act.<sup>1</sup>
  - 4. The board shall have the following powers:
- a. To purchase 1,1 or to provide matching funds for the purchase of 80% of 1,1 the value of development potential and to otherwise facilitate development transfers, from the owner of record of the property from which the development potential is

to be transferred or from any person, or entity, public or private, 1 holding the interest in development potential that is subject to 2 development transfer 1[,];1 provided that 1, in the case of 3 providing matching funds for the purchase of 80% of the value of 4 development potential, 1 the remaining 20% of that value is 5 <sup>2</sup>[obtained] contributed<sup>2</sup> by the affected municipality or county, 6 or both, after public notice thereof in the New Jersey Register 7 8 and in one newspaper of general circulation in the area affected by the purchase. The remaining 20% of the value of the 9 development potential to be <sup>2</sup>[obtained] contributed<sup>2</sup> by the 10 affected municipality or county, or both, 2to match funds 11 provided by the board, 2 may be obtained by purchase from, or 12 donation by, the owner of record of the property from which the 13 14 development potential is to be transferred or from any person, or entity, public or private, holding the interest in development 15 16 potential that is subject to development transfer. The value of development potential may be determined by either appraisal, 17 municipal averaging based upon appraisal data, or by a formula 18 supported by appraisal data. The board may also engage in 19 development transfer by sale, exchange, or other method of 20 conveyance <sup>1</sup>[, or retire development potential] <sup>1</sup> <sup>2</sup>, provided that 21 in doing so, the board shall not substantially impair the private 22 23 sale, exchange or other method of conveyance of development 24 potential<sup>2</sup>. The board may not, nor shall anything in this act be 25 construed as permitting the board to, engage in development transfer from one municipality to another, which transfer is not 26 27 in accordance with the ordinances of both municipalities. 28

b. To adopt and, from time to time, amend or repeal suitable bylaws for the management of its affairs;

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- c. To adopt and use an official seal and alter <sup>1</sup>[the same] that seal at its pleasure;
- d. To apply for, receive, and accept, from any federal, State, or other public or private source, grants or loans for, or in aid of, the board's authorized purposes;
- e. To enter into any agreement or contract, execute any legal document, and perform any act or thing necessary, convenient, or desirable for the purposes of the board or to carry out any power expressly given in this act;
- f. To adopt, pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), rules and regulations necessary to implement the provisions of this act;
- g. To call to its assistance and avail itself of the services of the employees of any State, county, or municipal department, board, commission, or agency as may be required and made available for these purposes;
- h. To retain such staff as may be necessary in the career service and to appoint an executive director thereof. The executive director shall serve as a member of the senior executive or unclassified service and may be appointed without regard to the provisions of Title 11A of the New Jersey Statutes;
- i. To review and analyze innovative techniques that may be employed to maximize the total acreage reserved through the use of perpetual easements  $^1$ ;
- j. To provide, through the State TDR Bank, a financial

- guarantee with respect to any loan to be extended to any person that is secured using development potential as collateral for the loan<sup>2</sup>[,]. Financial guarantees provided under this act shall be<sup>2</sup> in accordance with procedures, terms and conditions, and requirements <sup>2</sup>, including rights and obligations of the parties in the event of default on any loan secured in whole or in part using development potential as collateral,<sup>2</sup> to be established by rule or regulation adopted by the board pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act";
  - k. To enter into agreement with the State Agriculture Development Committee for the purpose of acquiring development potential through the acquisition of development easements on farmland so that the board may utilize the existing processes, procedures, and capabilities of the State Agriculture Development Committee as necessary and appropriate to accomplish the goals and objectives of the board as provided for pursuant to this act;
  - l. To enter into agreements with other State agencies or entities providing services and programs authorized by law so that the board may utilize the existing processes, procedures, and capabilities of those other agencies or entities as necessary and appropriate to accomplish the goals and objectives of the board as provided for pursuant to this act; and
  - m. To provide planning assistance grants to municipalities that have adopted viable development transfer ordinances, as determined by the board, for up to 50% of the cost of planning associated with such an ordinance and incurred by a municipality, or \$10,000, whichever is less, which grants shall be made utilizing monies deposited into the bank pursuant to section 8 of this act<sup>1</sup>.
  - <sup>1</sup>[5. a. There is established in the State TDR Bank a Development Potential Transfer Review Committee, comprising the Director of the Office of Financial Management and the Administrator of the General Services Administration in the Department of the Treasury; the Executive Director of the State TDR Bank; and one of the public members of the bank appointed by the chairperson of the board of directors thereof.
  - b. The review committee is authorized to purchase or to provide matching funds for the purchase of development potential and to engage in development transfer by sale, exchange, or other method of conveyance, or retire development potential in the name of the board pursuant to procedures established by the board.]<sup>1</sup>
  - $^{1}$ [6.]  $5.^{1}$  a. The board shall establish and maintain a Development Potential Transfer Registry, which shall include:
  - (1) The name and address of every person to whom and from whom development potential is sold or otherwise conveyed, the date of the conveyance, and the consideration, if any, received therefor;
  - (2) The name and address of any person who has utilized development potential, the location of the land to which and from which the development potential was transferred, and the date this transfer was made; and
  - (3) An annual enumeration of the total number of development transfers, listing the municipality or municipalities involved in

the transfer and the instrument of transfer.

- b. No person shall purchase or otherwise acquire, encumber, or utilize any development potential without recording that fact, within 10 business days thereof, with the bank.
- c. The board shall make available  ${}^{1}(1)^{1}$  in the form of an annual report the information included in the registry to the county and each municipality  ${}^{1}[$ , which] that  ${}^{1}$  has adopted a development transfer ordinance  ${}^{1}{}_{,}{}^{1}$  and  ${}^{1}[$ , ] (2) ${}^{1}$  upon request, pertinent information to any other person. The first annual report shall be submitted to the Governor and Legislature and shall be made available to the public on the first anniversary of the effective date of this act.
- <sup>1</sup>[7.] <u>6.</u><sup>1</sup> a. The board may sell by negotiation or auction, exchange, or otherwise convey <sup>1</sup>[or retire]<sup>1</sup> any development potential that is purchased or otherwise acquired pursuant to the provisions of this act, after notice thereof <sup>1</sup>placed<sup>1</sup> in the New Jersey Register and in one newspaper of general circulation in the area affected by the conveyance <sup>1</sup>[or retirement]<sup>1</sup>. All sales, exchanges, <sup>1</sup>or<sup>1</sup> conveyances <sup>1</sup>[, or retirements]<sup>1</sup> shall be made prior to the expiration of the bank. The provisions of any other law to the contrary notwithstanding, no such sale, exchange, <sup>1</sup>or<sup>1</sup> conveyance <sup>1</sup>[, or retirement]<sup>1</sup> shall be subject to approval of the State House Commission or the General Services Administration in the Department of the Treasury.
- b. When the board sells, exchanges, or otherwise conveys <sup>1</sup>[, or retires]<sup>1</sup> development potential, it shall remit 20% of the proceeds to the local government unit that participated in its acquisition <sup>2</sup>unless the local government unit obtained its interest in the development potential by donation<sup>2</sup> and retain the remaining balance.
- c. When the board sells, exchanges, <sup>2</sup>[or]<sup>2</sup> otherwise conveys <sup>1</sup>[, or retires]<sup>1</sup> <sup>2</sup>, purchases or otherwise acquires<sup>2</sup> development potential, it shall do so in a manner that shall not substantially impair the private sale and transfer thereof. The board may convey development potential without remuneration for use in projects that satisfy a compelling public purpose only by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of its members and approval by the local government unit that provided 20% of the cost of the acquisition of the development potential.
- d. Governmental entities that provide municipal or county funding to finance the purchase of development potential prior to the operation of the State TDR Bank shall receive priority consideration by the State TDR Bank in the purchase of development potential.
- <sup>2</sup>e. Prior to the sale, exchange or conveyance of any development potential purchased or otherwise acquired using moneys derived from bonds authorized by the "Farmland Preservation Bond Act of 1981," P.L.1981, c.276, as amended by P.L.1987, c.240 or the "Open Space Preservation Bond Act of 1989," P.L.1989 c.183, the State TDR Bank shall obtain a determination from the State Treasurer that such sale, exchange or conveyance will not adversely affect the tax-exempt status of such bonds.<sup>2</sup>
  - 17. The board, three years after the effective date of this act,

shall prepare and submit a report to the Governor and Legislature assessing the implementation of this act, evaluating the operation of the State TDR Bank, providing a financial accounting and summary of any expenditures or disbursements made pursuant to this act, and making any recommendations for appropriate legislative or administrative action necessary to further the purposes of this act. 1

<sup>1</sup>8. a. There is appropriated to the State Transfer of Development Rights Bank from the "1989 Development Potential Transfer Bank Fund" established pursuant to section 23 of P.L.1989, c.183, the sum of \$20,000,000 for deposit into the State TDR Bank, which shall be expended in accordance with the provisions of this act.

b. Of the moneys appropriated pursuant to subsection a. of this section, not more than \$400,000 may be expended in total for administrative costs 2, staff assistance or professional services2 within the period of four years from the effective date of this act, and not more than \$400,000 may be expended for the purposes of subsection m. of section 4 of this act. 1

<sup>2</sup>9. Section 14 of P.L.1989, c.86 (C.40:55D-126) is amended to read as follows:

14. If the governing body of Burlington County provides for the acquisition of a development easement under the provisions of P.L.1983, c.32 (C.4:1C-11 et al.), it may sell the development potential associated with the development easement subject to the terms and conditions of the development transfer ordinance adopted pursuant to this act; provided that if the development easement was purchased using moneys provided under the "Farmland Preservation Bond Act of 1981," P.L.1981, c.276, a percentage of all revenues generated through the resale of the development potential shall be refunded to the State in an amount equal to the State's percentage contribution to the original development easement purchase. Notwithstanding the foregoing, such refund shall not be paid to the State in the event the State Treasurer determines that such refund would adversely affect the tax-exempt status of any bonds authorized pursuant to the "Farmland Preservation Bond Act of 1981," P.L.1981, c.276. This repayment shall be made within 90 days after the end of the calendar year in which the sale occurs.<sup>2</sup> (cf: P.L.1989, c.86, s.14)

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"State Transfer of Development Rights Bank Act"; appropriates \$20 million from 1989 bond fund.

retires development potential, it shall remit 20% of the proceeds to the local government unit that participated in its acquisition and retain the remaining balance.

- c. When the board sells, exchanges, or otherwise conveys, or retires development potential, it shall do so in a manner that shall not substantially impair the private sale and transfer thereof. The board may convey development potential without remuneration for use in projects that satisfy a compelling public purpose only by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of its members and approval by the local government unit that provided 20% of the cost of the acquisition of the development potential.
- d. Governmental entities that provide municipal or county funding to finance the purchase of development potential prior to the operation of the State TDR Bank shall receive priority consideration by the State TDR Bank in the purchase of development potential.
  - 8. This act shall take effect immediately.

### **STATEMENT**

This bill would establish the State Transfer of Development Rights Bank (TDR Bank). The purpose of the bank would be to support development potential transfers as authorized under the "Burlington County Transfer of Development Demonstration Act," P.L.1989, c.86 (C.55D:1-14 et seq.) or other similarly enacted laws. This support would be in the form of purchases or funding for the purchase of 80% of the value of development potential, and to otherwise facilitate development The remaining 20% would be purchased by the affected municipality or county. Upon sale of the development potential by the bank, the bank and the local governmental entity would be reimbursed for their share of the purchase.

The bank would be governed by a board of directors, which would comprise the State Treasurer, who would serve as chairperson; the Secretary of Agriculture; the Commissioner of Environmental Protection; the Commissioner of Transportation; the Commissioner of Community Affairs; and four members to be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, from the general public. A Development Transfer Review Committee serving the board would be authorized to purchase development potential and to sell, exchange, or otherwise convey, or retire development potential in accordance with the directions of the board.

The bill also specifies:

- 1. The bank would be able to fund programs, if established by law, other than the Burlington County Demonstration Project;
- 2. The information maintained by the Development Potential Transfer Registry would include the name of the person transfering development potential, as well as the location of the land from which the development potential was transfered;
- 3. The bank would be permitted to fund a purchase, as well as purchase, development potential;
  - 4. The bank is prohibited from intermunicipal transfers of

development potential not in accordance with the ordinances of the impacted municipalities;

- 5. The bank may purchase development potential either by appraisal, municipal averaging based on appraisal, or by a formula supported by appraisal;
- 6. In purchasing development potential, the bank will give priority consideration to governmental entities that have acquired development potential prior to the operation of the bank;
- 7. Development potential may be purchased, not only from the landowner, but from any other private or public entity, such as individuals, counties, municipalities, or other TDR banks.

It is anticipated that the TDR Bank would utilize the \$25 million of the proposed \$370 million "Green Acres and Farmland Preservation Bond Act" pending in the Legislature as Assembly Bill Nos. 3540/1752 ACS and Senate Bill No. 3637.

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The "State Transfer of Development Rights Bank Act."

## ASSEMBLY ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

### STATEMENT TO

## ASSEMBLY, No. 745

with Assembly committee amendments

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: OCTOBER 19, 1992

The Assembly Environment Committee favorably reports Assembly Bill No. 745 with Assembly committee amendments.

This bill would establish the State Transfer of Development Rights Bank (State TDR Bank). The purpose of the bank would be to support development potential transfers as authorized under the "Burlington County Transfer of Development Rights Demonstration Act," P.L.1989, c.86 (C.40:55D-113 et seq.) or other similarly enacted laws. This support would be in the form of purchasing, or providing matching funds for the purchases of 80% of, the value of development potential, and otherwise facilitating development transfers. In the case of funding for the purchase of 80% of the value of development potential, the remaining 20% would be obtained by the affected municipality or county. Upon sale of the development potential by the bank, the bank and the local governmental entity would be reimbursed for their share of the purchase.

The bill specifies:

- 1. The bank would be able to fund programs, if established by law, other than the Burlington County Transfer of Development Rights Demonstration Project;
- 2. The information maintained by the Development Potential Transfer Registry created in the bill would include, among other things, the name of the persons transferring development potential, as well as the location of the land to which and from which the development potential was transferred;
- 3. The bank would be permitted to fund a purchase of, as well as purchase, development potential;
- 4. The bank is prohibited from intermunicipal transfers of development potential not in accordance with the ordinances of the impacted municipalities;
- 5. The value of development potential may be determined either by appraisal, municipal averaging based on appraisal data, or by a formula supported by appraisal data;
- 6. Governmental entities that provide municipal or county funding to finance the purchase of development potential prior to the operation of the State TDR Bank would receive priority consideration by the State TDR Bank in the purchase of development potential;
- 7. Development potential may be purchased, not only from the landowner, but from any other private or public entity, such as individuals, counties, municipalities, or other TDR banks.

The Assembly Environment Committee amendments provide that the bank would be allocated in, but not of, the State Agriculture Development Committee. The bank would be governed by a board of directors consisting of ten voting members, as the Secretary of Agriculture, who shall serve as chairperson and who shall vote only in the event there is a tie vote; State Treasurer; the Commissioner of Environmental Protection; the Commissioner of Transportation; the Commissioner of Banking; the Commissioner of Community Affairs; the President of the State Board of Agriculture; the Chairman of the State Planning Commission; the President of the Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissions; and one member of the general public, who shall be a farmer actively engaged in agriculture in New Jersey and who shall be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate. Upon request of the board, the State Agriculture Development Committee would provide the primary staff for the bank, although other appropriate State agencies would be required to provide staff as needed.

The Assembly Environment Committee amendments also provide that the board of directors would have the power to have the State TDR bank provide a financial guarantee with respect to any loan to be extended to any person that is secured using development potential as collateral for the loan, in accordance with procedures, terms and conditions, and requirements to be established by rule or regulation.

Assembly Environment Committee amendments authorize the board to: (1) enter into agreement with the State Agriculture Development Committee for the purpose of acquiring development potential through the acquisition of development easements on farmland so that the board may utilize the existing processes, procedures, and capabilities of the State Agriculture Development Committee as necessary and appropriate accomplish the goals and objectives of the board as provided for pursuant to the bill; (2) enter into agreements with other State agencies or entities providing services and programs authorized by law so that the board may utilize the existing processes, procedures, and capabilities of those other agencies or entities as necessary and appropriate to accomplish the goals and objectives of the board as provided for pursuant to the bill; and (3) provide planning assistance grants to municipalities that have adopted viable development transfer ordinances, as determined by the board, for up to 50% of the cost of planning associated with such an ordinance and incurred by a municipality, or \$10,000, whichever is less, which grants shall be made utilizing monies appropriated for, and deposited into, the bank.

As amended by the Assembly Environment Committee, the bill requires the board, three years after the effective date of the bill, to prepare and submit a report to the Governor and Legislature assessing the implementation of the bill, evaluating the operation of the State TDR Bank, providing a financial accounting and summary of any expenditures or disbursements made pursuant to the bill, and making any recommendations for appropriate legislative or administrative action necessary to further the purposes of the bill.

The Assemby Environment Committee also amended the bill to remove the authority of the board to retire development potential.

The Assembly Environment Committee also made technical and clarifying amendments to the bill.

Finally, the Assembly Environment Committee amendments appropriate \$20,000,000 from the "1989 Development Potential Bank Fund" established pursuant to the "Open Space Preservation Bond Act of 1989," P.L.1989, c.183, for deposit into the State TDR Bank. Of the moneys appropriated, not more than \$400,000 may be expended in total for administrative costs within the period of four years from the effective date of the bill, and not more than \$400,000 may be expended for the purposes of the planning assistance grant program established in the bill.

This bill was pre-filed for introduction in the 1992-1993 session pending technical review. As reported the bill includes the changes required by technical review, which has been performed.

#### ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

# [FIRST REPRINT] ASSEMBLY, No. 745

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 3, 1992

The Assembly Appropriations Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 745 (1R).

Assembly Bill No. 745 (1R) establishes the State Transfer of Development Rights Bank (State TDR Bank) to support development potential transfers as authorized under P.L.1989, (C.40:55D-113 et seq.) or other similarly enacted laws. support would be in the form of purchasing, or providing matching funds for the purchases of 80% of, the value of development potential, and otherwise facilitating development transfers. In the case of funding for the purchase of 80% of the value of development potential, the remaining 20% would be obtained by the affected municipality or county. Upon sale of the development potential by the bank, the bank and the local governmental entity would be reimbursed for their share of the purchase. The value of development potential may be determined either by appraisal, municipal averaging based on appraisal data, or by a formula supported by appraisal data. Governmental entities that provide municipal or county funding to finance the purchase of development potential prior to the operation of the State TDR Bank would receive priority consideration.

The State TDR Bank would be allocated in, but not of, the State Agriculture Development Committee and governed by a board of directors consisting of ten voting members, having the power to have the State TDR bank provide a financial guarantee with respect to any loan to be extended to any person that is secured using development potential as collateral for the loan.

The board is authorized to enter into agreement with the State Agriculture Development Committee to acquire development potential through the acquisition of development easements on farmland; enter into agreements with other State agencies or entities to accomplish its goals and objectives; and provide planning assistance grants to municipalities that have adopted viable development transfer ordinances for up to 50% of the cost of planning associated with such an ordinance and incurred by a municipality, or \$10,000, whichever is less, which grants shall be made utilizing monies appropriated for, and deposited into, the bank.

The board is required to prepare and submit a report to the Governor and Legislature within three years of the effective date, assessing the implementation of the bill, evaluating the operation of the State TDR Bank, providing a financial accounting and summary of any expenditures or disbursements made pursuant to the bill, and making any recommendations for any appropriately needed changes.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**:

The bill appropriates \$20,000,000 from the "1989 Development Potential Transfer Bank Fund" established pursuant to the "Open Space Preservation Bond Act of 1989," P.L.1989, c.183, for deposit into the State TDR Bank. Of the moneys appropriated, not more than \$400,000 may be expended in total for administrative costs within four years of the effective date of the bill, and not more than \$400,000 may be expended for the purposes of the planning assistance grant program established in the bill. This appropriation represents the balance currently remaining in this bond fund.

#### SENATE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

# [FIRST REPRINT] ASSEMBLY, No. 745

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MAY 10, 1993

The Senate Environment Committee favorably reports Assembly Bill No. 745 (1R).

This bill would establish the State Transfer of Development Rights Bank (State TDR Bank). The purpose of the bank would be to support development potential transfers as authorized under the "Burlington County Transfer of Development Rights Demonstration Act," P.L.1989, c.86 (C.40:55D-113 et seq.) or other similarly enacted laws. This support would be in the form of purchasing, or providing matching funds for the purchases of 80% of, the value of development potential, and otherwise facilitating development transfers. In the case of funding for the purchase of 80% of the value of development potential, the remaining 20% would be obtained by the affected municipality or county. Upon sale of the development potential by the bank, the bank and the local governmental entity would be reimbursed for their share of the purchase.

The bill specifies:

- 1. The bank would be able to fund programs, if established by law, other than the Burlington County Transfer of Development Rights Demonstration Project;
- 2. The information maintained by the Development Potential Transfer Registry created in the bill would include, among other things, the name of the persons transferring development potential, as well as the location of the land to which and from which the development potential was transferred;
- 3. The bank would be permitted to fund a purchase of, as well as purchase, development potential;
- 4. The bank is prohibited from intermunicipal transfers of development potential not in accordance with the ordinances of the impacted municipalities;
- 5. The value of development potential may be determined either by appraisal, municipal averaging based on appraisal data, or by a formula supported by appraisal data;
- 6. Governmental entities that provide municipal or county funding to finance the purchase of development potential prior to the operation of the State TDR Bank would receive priority consideration by the State TDR Bank in the purchase of development potential;
- 7. Development potential may be purchased, not only from the landowner, but from any other private or public entity, such as individuals, counties, municipalities, or other TDR banks.

The bill provides that the bank would be allocated in, but not of, the State Agriculture Development Committee. The bank would be governed by a board of directors consisting of ten voting members, as follows: the Secretary of Agriculture, who shall serve as chairperson and who shall vote only in the event there is a tie vote; the State Treasurer; Commissioner Ωf Environmental Protection; the Commissioner of Transportation; the Commissioner of Banking; the Commissioner of Community Affairs; the President of the State Board of Agriculture; the Chairman of the State Planning Commission; the President of the Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissions; and one member of the general public, who shall be a farmer actively engaged in agriculture in New Jersey and who shall be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate. Upon request of the board, the State Agriculture Development Committee would provide the primary staff for the bank, although other appropriate State agencies would be required to provide staff as needed.

The bill provides that the board of directors would have the power to have the State TDR bank provide a financial guarantee with respect to any loan to be extended to any person that is secured using development potential as collateral for the loan, in accordance with procedures, terms and conditions, and requirements to be established by rule or regulation.

The board is also authorized to: (1) enter into an agreement with the State Agriculture Development Committee for the purpose of acquiring development potential through the acquisition of development easements on farmland so that the board may utilize the existing processes, procedures, and capabilities of the State Agriculture Development Committee as necessary and appropriate to accomplish the goals and objectives of the board as provided for pursuant to the bill; (2) enter into agreements with other State agencies or entities providing services and programs authorized by law so that the board may utilize the existing processes, procedures, and capabilities of those other agencies or entities as necessary and appropriate to accomplish the goals and objectives of the board as provided for pursuant to the bill; and (3) provide planning assistance grants to municipalities that have adopted viable development transfer ordinances, as determined by the board, for up to 50% of the cost of planning associated with such an ordinance and incurred by a municipality, or \$10,000, whichever is less, which grants shall be made utilizing monies appropriated for, and deposited into, the bank.

The bill also requires the board, three years after the effective date of the bill, to prepare and submit a report to the Governor and Legislature assessing the implementation of the bill, evaluating the operation of the State TDR Bank, providing a financial accounting and summary of any expenditures or disbursements made pursuant to the bill, and making any recommendations for appropriate legislative or administrative action necessary to further the purposes of the bill.

Finally, the bill appropriates \$20,000,000 from the "1989 Development Potential Bank Fund" established pursuant to the "Open Space Preservation Bond Act of 1989," P.L.1989, c.183, for deposit into the State TDR Bank. Of the moneys appropriated, not more than \$400,000 may be expended in total for administrative costs within the period of four years from the effective date of the bill, and not more than \$400,000 may be expended for the purposes of the planning assistance grant program established in the bill.

### SENATE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

## [FIRST REPRINT] ASSEMBLY, No. 745

with committee amendments

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 24, 1993

The Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 745 [1R], with committee amendments.

Assembly Bill No. 745 [1R], as amended, establishes the State Transfer of Development Rights Bank (State TDR Bank). The purpose of the bank is to support development potential transfers as authorized under the "Burlington County Transfer of Development Rights Demonstration Act," P.L.1989, c.86 (C.40:55D-113 et seq.) or other similar laws.

The State TDR Bank is allocated in, but not of, the State Agriculture Development Committee and will be governed by a board of directors consisting of ten voting members. The State Agriculture Development Committee would provide the primary staff for the bank, although other appropriate State agencies would be required to provide staff as needed.

The Board of Directors is empowered to purchase development potential, or provide up to 80% of the cost of the purchase of development potential with a county or municipality providing the remaining 20% of the cost. The board's authorization also includes the power to guarantee loans; enter into agreements with the State Agriculture Development Committee to acquire development potential through the acquisition of development easements on farmland; enter into agreements with other State agencies or entities to accomplish its goals and objectives; and provide planning assistance grants to municipalities that have adopted viable development transfer ordinances.

The board is required to prepare and submit a report to the Governor and Legislature within three years of the effective date, assessing the implementation of the bill, evaluating the operation of the State TDR Bank, providing a financial accounting and summary of any expenditures or disbursements made pursuant to the bill, and making any recommendations for needed changes.

## COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

The committee amended the bill to clarify some of its provisions and to require that prior to the sale, exchange or conveyance of any development potential acquired with bond funds, the State TDR Bank obtain a determination from the State Treasurer that the sale, exchange or conveyance does not affect the tax exempt status of the bonds.

### FISCAL IMPACT

The bill appropriates \$20,000,000 from the "1989 Development Potential Bank Fund" established pursuant to the "Open Space

Preservation Bond Act of 1989," P.L.1989, c.183, for deposit into the State TDR Bank. A maximum of \$400,000 from this appropriation may be used for administrative costs during the four years following the enactment of the bill, and a maximum of \$400,000 may be used for the municipal planning assistance grant program established in the bill.

This bill will appropriate the total amount currently available in the fund.