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Yes

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COMMITTEE STATEMENT:

ASSEMBLY:

Yes

Yes

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No

VETO MESSAGE:

No

MESSAGE ON SIGNING:

No

FOLLOWING WERE PRINTED:

REPORTS:

No

**HEARINGS:** 

No

Sponsor Statement: This bill would permit local contracting units to enter into contracts up to three years in duration for the provision of transportation services to elderly, Handicapped or indegent person.

See newspaper clippings--attached KBG/bas

# [FIRST REPRINT] SENATE, No. 3433

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

**INTRODUCED MAY 9, 1991** 



#### By Senator SCHLUTER

AN ACT concerning the duration of certain contracts and amending P.L.1971, c.198.

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

- 1. Section 15 of P.L.1971, c.198 (C.40A:11-15) is amended to read as follows:
- 15. Duration of certain contracts. All purchases, contracts or agreements for the performing of work or the furnishing of materials, supplies or services shall be made for a period not to exceed 12 consecutive months, except that contracts or agreements may be entered into for longer periods of time as follows:
  - (1) Supplying of:
- (a) Fuel for heating purposes, for any term not exceeding in the aggregate, two years;
- (b) Fuel or oil for use of airplanes, automobiles, motor vehicles or equipment for any term not exceeding in the aggregate, two years:
- (c) Thermal energy produced by a cogeneration facility, for use for heating or air conditioning or both, for any term not exceeding 40 years, when the contract is approved by the Board of Public Utilities. For the purposes of this paragraph, "cogeneration" means the simultaneous production in one facility of electric power and other forms of useful energy such as heating or process steam;
  - (2) (Deleted by amendment; P.L.1977, c.53.)
- (3) The collection and disposal of garbage and refuse, and the barging and disposal of sewage sludge, for any term not exceeding in the aggregate, five years;
- (4) The recycling of solid waste, including the collection of methane gas from a sanitary landfill facility, for any term not exceeding 25 years, when such contract is in conformance with a solid waste management plan approved pursuant to P.L.1970, c.39 (C.13:1E-1 et seq.), and with the approval of the Division of Local Government Services and the Department of Environmental Protection. The contracting unit shall award the contract to the highest responsible bidder, notwithstanding that the contract price may be in excess of the amount of any necessarily related

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

administrative expenses; except that if the contract requires the contracting unit to expend funds only, the contracting unit shall award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder. The approval by the Division of Local Government Services of public bidding requirements shall not be required for those contracts exempted therefrom pursuant to section 5 of P.L.1971, c.198 (C.40A:11-5);

- (5) Data processing service, for any term of not more than three years;
  - (6) Insurance, for any term of not more than three years;
- (7) Leasing or servicing of automobiles, motor vehicles, machinery and equipment of every nature and kind, for a period not to exceed three years; provided, however, such contracts shall be entered into only subject to and in accordance with the rules and regulations promulgated by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services of the Department of Community Affairs;
- (8) The supplying of any product or the rendering of any service by a telephone company which is subject to the jurisdiction of the Board of Public Utilities for a term not exceeding five years;
- (9) Any single project for the construction, reconstruction or rehabilitation of any public building, structure or facility, or any public works project, including the retention of the services of any architect or engineer in connection therewith, for the length of time authorized and necessary for the completion of the actual construction;
- (10) The providing of food services for any term not exceeding three years;
- (11) On-site inspections undertaken by private agencies pursuant to the "State Uniform Construction Code Act" (P.L.1975, c.217; C.52:27D-119 et seq.) for any term of not more than three years;
- (12) The performance of work or services or the furnishing of materials or supplies for the purpose of conserving energy in buildings owned by, or operations conducted by, the contracting unit, the entire price of which to be established as a percentage of the resultant savings in energy costs, for a term not to exceed 10 years; provided, however, that such contracts shall be entered into only subject to and in accordance with rules and regulations promulgated by the Division of Energy Planning Conservation, of the Board of Public Utilities, establishing a methodology for computing energy cost savings;
- (13) The performance of work or services or the furnishing of materials or supplies for the purpose of elevator maintenance for any term not exceeding three years;
- (14) Leasing or servicing of electronic communications equipment for a period not to exceed five years; provided, however, such contract shall be entered into only subject to and

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- (15) Leasing of motor vehicles, machinery and other equipment primarily used to fight fires, for a term not to exceed seven years, when the contract includes an option to purchase, subject to and in accordance with rules and regulations promulgated by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services of the Department of Community Affairs;
- (16) The provision of water supply services or the designing, financing, construction, operation, or maintenance, or any combination thereof, of a water supply facility, or any component part or parts thereof, including a water filtration system, for a period not to exceed 40 years, when the contract for these services is approved by the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs, the Board of Public Utilities, and the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to P.L.1985, c.37 (C.58:26-1 et seq.). For the purposes of this subsection, "water supply services" means any service provided by a water supply facility; "water filtration system" means any equipment, plants, structures, machinery, apparatus, or land, or any combination thereof, acquired, used, constructed, rehabilitated, or operated for the collection, impoundment, storage, improvement, filtration, or other treatment of drinking water for the purposes of purifying and enhancing water quality and insuring its potability prior to the distribution of the drinking water to the general public for human consumption, including plants and works, and other personal property and appurtenances necessary for their use or operation; and "water supply facility" means and refers to the real property and the plants, structures, interconnections between existing water supply facilities, machinery and equipment and other property, real, personal and mixed, acquired, constructed or operated, or to be acquired, constructed or operated, in whole or in part by or on behalf of a political subdivision of the State or any agency thereof, for the purpose of augmenting the natural water resources of the State and making available an increased supply of water for all uses, or of conserving existing water resources, and any and all appurtenances necessary, useful or convenient for the collecting, impounding, storing, improving, treating, filtering, conserving or transmitting of water and for the preservation and protection of these resources and facilities and providing for the conservation and development of future water supply resources;
- (17) The provision of solid waste disposal services by a resource recovery facility, the furnishing of products of a resource recovery facility, the disposal of the solid waste delivered for disposal which cannot be processed by a resource recovery facility or the waste products resulting from the operation of a resource recovery facility, including hazardous

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waste and recovered metals and other materials for reuse, or the design, financing, construction, operation or maintenance of a resource recovery facility for a period not to exceed 40 years when the contract is approved by the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs, the Board of Public Utilities, and the Department Environmental Protection; and when the facility is conformance with a solid waste management plan approved pursuant to P.L.1970, c.39 (C.13:1E-1 et seq.). For the purposes of this subsection, "resource recovery facility" means a solid waste facility constructed and operated for the incineration of solid waste for energy production and the recovery of metals and other materials for reuse; or a mechanized composting facility, or any other solid waste facility constructed or operated for the collection, separation, recycling, and recovery of metals, glass, paper, and other materials for reuse or for energy production;

- (18) The sale of electricity or thermal energy, or both, produced by a resource recovery facility for a period not to exceed 40 years when the contract is approved by the Board of Public Utilities, and when the facility is in conformance with a solid waste management plan approved pursuant to P.L.1970, c.39 (C.13:1E-1 et seq.). For the purposes of this subsection, "resource recovery facility" means a solid waste facility constructed and operated for the incineration of solid waste for energy production and the recovery of metals and other materials for reuse; or a mechanized composting facility, or any other solid waste facility constructed or operated for the collection, separation, recycling, and recovery of metals, glass, paper, and other materials for reuse or for energy production;
- (19) The provision of wastewater treatment services or the designing, financing, construction, operation, or maintenance, or any combination thereof, of a wastewater treatment system, or any component part or parts thereof, for a period not to exceed 40 years, when the contract for these services is approved by the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs and the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to P.L.1985, c.72 (C.58:27-1 et seq.). For the purposes of this subsection, "wastewater treatment services" means any service provided by a wastewater treatment system, and "wastewater treatment system" means equipment, plants, structures, machinery, apparatus, or land, or any combination thereof, acquired, used, constructed, or operated for the storage, collection, reduction, recycling, reclamation, separation, or other treatment of wastewater or sewage sludge, or for the final disposal of residues resulting from the treatment of wastewater, including, but not limited to, pumping and ventilating stations, facilities, plants and works, connections, outfall sewers, interceptors, trunk lines, and other personal property and appurtenances necessary for their operation;

- (20) The supplying of materials or services for the purpose of lighting public streets, for a term not to exceed five years, provided that the rates, fares, tariffs or charges for the supplying of electricity for that purpose are approved by the Board of Public Utilities;
- (21) In the case of a contracting unit which is a county or municipality, the provision of emergency medical services by a hospital to residents of a municipality or county as appropriate for a term not to exceed five years;
- (22) Fuel for the purpose of generating electricity for a term not to exceed eight years;
- (23) The purchase of electricity or administrative or dispatching services related to the transmission of such electricity, from a public utility company subject to the jurisdiction of the Board of Public Utilities, a similar regulatory body of another state, or a federal regulatory agency, or from a qualifying small power producing facility or qualifying cogeneration facility, as defined by 16 U.S.C. §796, by a contracting unit engaged in the generation of electricity for retail sale, as of the date of this amendatory act, for a term not to exceed 40 years;
- (24) The provision of transportation services to elderly, <sup>1</sup>[handicapped] disabled or indigent persons for any term of not more than three years. For the purposes of this subsection, "elderly persons" means persons who are 60 years of age or older. <sup>1</sup>["Handicapped] Disabled persons means persons of any age who, by reason of illness, injury, age, congenital malfunction, or other permanent or temporary incapacity or disability, are unable, without special facilities or special planning or design to utilize mass transportation facilities and services as effectively as persons who are not so affected. "Indigent persons" means persons of any age <sup>1</sup>[defined as indigent pursuant to the Social Services Block Grant Program, Title XX of the Social Security Act, as amended by the "Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981," Pub.L.97-35 (42 U.S.C.§ 1397) or pursuant to criteria issued by any department of State Government in administering the Social Services Block Grant Program] whose income does not exceed 100 percent of the poverty level, adjusted for family size, established and adjusted under section 673 (2) of subtitle B, the "Community Services Block Grant Act," Pub.L. 97-35 (42) U.S.C. $\S9902(2)$ <sup>1</sup>.

All multi-year leases and contracts entered into pursuant to this section, except contracts for the leasing or servicing of equipment supplied by a telephone company which is subject to the jurisdiction of the Board of Public Utilities, contracts involving the supplying of electricity for the purpose of lighting public streets and contracts for thermal energy authorized pursuant to subsection (1) above, construction contracts authorized pursuant to subsection (9) above, contracts and

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agreements for the provision of work or the supplying of equipment to promote energy conservation authorized pursuant to subsection (12) above, contracts for water supply services or for a water supply facility, or any component part or parts thereof authorized pursuant to subsection (16) above, contracts for resource recovery services or a resource recovery facility authorized pursuant to subsection (17) above, contracts for the sale of energy produced by a resource recovery facility authorized pursuant to subsection (18) above, contracts for wastewater treatment services or for a wastewater treatment system or any component part or parts thereof authorized pursuant to subsection (19) above, contracts for the purchase of electricity or administrative or dispatching services related to the transmission of such electricity authorized pursuant to subsection (23) above, shall contain a clause making them subject to the availability and appropriation annually of sufficient funds as may be required to meet the extended obligation, or contain an annual cancellation clause.

The Division of Local Government Services shall adopt and promulgate rules and regulations concerning the methods of accounting for all contracts that do not coincide with the fiscal year.

(cf: P.L.1991, c.143, s.5)

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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obligation, or contain an annual cancellation clause. The Division of Local Government Services shall adopt and promulgate rules and regulations concerning the methods of accounting for all contracts that do not coincide with the fiscal (cf: P.L.1989, c.159, s.2) 2. This act shall take effect immediately. **STATEMENT** 

This bill would permit local contracting units to enter into contracts up to three years in duration for the provision of transportation services to elderly, handicapped or indigent persons.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Permits three year contracts for provision of transportation services to elderly, handicapped or indigent persons.

#### ASSEMBLY MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

[FIRST REPRINT] SENATE, No. 3433

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 9, 1991

The Assembly Municipal Government Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 3433(1R).

Senate Bill No. 3433(1R) would permit local contracting units to enter into contracts up to three years in duration for the provision of transportation services to elderly, disabled or indigent persons.

This bill is identical to Assembly Bill No. 2364, as amended by the committee, except for the technical corrections made to the Assembly bill to conform it to current law. These technical corrections shall be made to the Senate bill by the Legislative Counsel, if enacted.

## SENATE COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

## SENATE No. 3433

with Senate committee amendments

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 10, 1991

The Senate County and Municipal Government Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 3433 with Senate committee amendments.

Senate Bill No. 3433, as amended by the committee, would permit local contracting units to enter into contracts up to three years in duration for the provision of transportation services to elderly, disabled or indigent persons.

The committee amended the bill to change the reference to the type of transportation service from "handicapped" to "disabled" to conform to the use of the term in the "Senior Citizen and Disabled Resident Transportation Assistance Act," P.L.1983, c.578 (C.27:25-25 et seq.). In addition, the committee amended the bill to change the definition of "indigent" to conform to the use of the term in Medicaid law.