ASSEMBLY, No. 717

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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By Mr. PAUL

(Without Reference)

AN ACT concerning the care of crippled persons, and amending section 9:13–7 of the Revised Statutes.

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

1. Section 9:13–7 of the Revised Statutes be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

9:13–7. Expenditures for crippled children authorized. The board of chosen freeholders of a county which has no county home and hospital for crippled children may appropriate not more than thirty thousand dollars each year for the necessary expense incident to the diagnosis and treatment of crippled children resident in the county under the age of twenty-one years, including the cost of surgical appliances, support and maintenance of such children, investigation of cases, and necessary traveling expenses incidental to the investigation and transportation of patients to a suitable home or hospital within the State supported by public funds or private charity. Within such appropriation such board of chosen freeholders or its appropriate committees, may, in its discretion, pay the whole or any part of the cost of transporting crippled persons to and from sheltered workrooms.

Before spending money for such purposes the board shall adopt such rules and regulations as it deems desirable concerning the requirements of

residence and eligibility for such relief. Disbursements shall be made through officers designated by the board for that purpose on verified bills presented and approved as in the case of other county expenditures.

STATEMENT

This bill is permissive and permits counties, within the limits heretofore fixed for appropriations, to participate in the cost of transportation of crippled persons to and from sheltered workrooms. This is an essential expenditure for the welfare of such persons and the authority is desired in Essex County.