

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY OF R.S. 54:4-3.6a  
(Tax exemption of property used in educational television)

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Educational television has been a public issue in New Jersey at least since 1952 (when our clipping files begin.) We are enclosing a packet of clippings, 1952-1967, with a separate folder on the 1961 channel 13 dispute.

A study commission was created in 1952 by the Education Committee at the direction of the Governor. It published:

- 974.90 N.J. Montclair S.T.C.  
T267 Educational Television  
1952
- 974.90 N.J. Commission on Educational Television  
T267 First Report.  
1953
- 974.90 N.J. Commission on Educational Television  
T267 Presentation of Dr. M.W. Engstrom, chairman,  
1954a New Jersey Commission on Educational Television  
to the Appropriations Committee of the New Jersey  
Legislature, March 18, 1954
- 974.90 N.J. Commission on Educational Television  
T267 Second Report.  
1954
- 974.90 N.J. Commission on Educational Television  
T267 Third Report.  
1955
- 974.90 N.J. Commission on Educational Television  
T267 Fourth Report.  
1957
- 974.90 N.J. Commission on Educational Television  
T267 Educational television in N.J.  
1958
- 974.90 N.J. Commission on Educational Television  
T267 Educational television in New Jersey  
1959 Sixth report.

Previous bill introduced on tax exemption:

1966 - Senate 298 (Farley and Hunt) (Copy enclosed)  
No statement.  
March 23 - Introduced.  
May 16 Amended in Senate. (copy enclosed)  
May 23 - Passed Senate.  
June 13 - Reported in Assembly - 2nd read  
June 27 - Recommitted.

Bill which became law:

I. 1967 - Chapter 24 - S223 (copy enclosed)  
Introduced January 30 by Senator Farley and Waddington  
No statement.  
Not amended during passage.

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**SENATE, No. 223**

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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

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INTRODUCED JANUARY 30, 1967

By Senators FARLEY and WADDINGTON

Referred to Committee on Business Affairs

AN ACT according exemption from taxation to real and personal property of certain educational television associations and corporations and supplementing chapter 4 of Title 54 of the Revised Statutes.

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

3 1. In addition to the exemptions from taxation authorized by  
4 Revised Statutes 54:4-3.6 the following property shall be exempt  
5 from taxation under the chapter to which this act is a supplement:  
6 All buildings and structures located in this State and used ex-  
7 clusively by a nonprofit association or corporation organized un-  
8 der the laws of this or another State for the production and broad-  
9 casting of educational television; the land whereon the buildings  
10 and structures are erected and which may be necessary for the  
11 fair enjoyment thereof, and which is devoted to the foregoing  
12 purpose, and no other purpose, and does not exceed 30 acres in  
13 extent; the furniture, equipment and personal property in said  
14 buildings and structures if used and devoted to the foregoing pur-  
15 pose. The foregoing exemption shall apply only where the associ-  
16 ation or corporation owns the property in question and is author-  
17 ized to carry out the purpose on account of which the exemption  
18 is claimed.

19 2. This act shall take effect immediately but shall be applicable  
20 only to taxes payable in 1968 and thereafter.