## 22 DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

### 41 Community Development Management

### **GRANTS-IN-AID**

	"04-8030 Local Government Services This item is reduced to \$47,838,000.	\$49,052,000 ."	
	"Total Grants-In-Aid Appropriation, Community Development Management This item is reduced to \$78,353,000.	\$79,567,000 ."	
33	"04 Bloomfield Township - Riverbank Restoration and Erosion Control (\$750,000 This item is reduced to \$250,000.	)) ."	
34	"04 Caldwell Borough Township - Community Center (\$100,000 This item is reduced to \$50,000.	)) ."	
34	"04 Cedar Grove Township - Community Park Playground Rehabilitation (\$80,000 This item is reduced to \$50,000.	)) ."	
34	"04 Cedar Grove Township - Fire Department Truck Bay Extension (\$150,000 This item is reduced to \$100,000.	)) ."	
37	"04 Little Falls Township - Civic Center Rehabilitation (\$50,000 This item is deleted in its entirety.	)) ."	
37	"04 Little Falls Township - Sikorsky Park Renovation (\$35,000 This item is deleted in its entirety.	)) ."	
38	"04 Medford Township - Public Safety Equipment (\$155,000 This item is reduced to \$140,000.	)) ."	
38	"04 North Caldwell Borough - Tennis Facility Lighting (\$75,000 This item is deleted in its entirety.	)) ."	
39	"04 Pennington Borough - Streetscape and Downtown Revitalization (\$70,000 This item is deleted in its entirety.	)) ."	
41	"04 Sussex - Wantage Branch Library (\$390,000 This item is reduced to \$190,000.	)) ."	
41	"04 Verona Township - Playground Equipment This item is deleted in its entirety.(\$25,000	)) ."	
42	"04 Little Falls Township - Civic Center (\$114,000 This item is deleted in its entirety.	)) ."	
44	"Notwithstanding the provisions of section 35 of P.L. 1975, c. 326 (C.13:17-10.1), sections 10 and 11 of P.L. 1981, c. 306 (C.13:1E-109 and C.13:10E-110), section 8 of P.L. 1985, c. 368 (C.13:1E-176), or any rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto, or any order issued by the Board of Public Utilities to the contrary, and subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting, the Hackensack Meadowlands Development Commission may withdraw from the escrow accounts established for the closure and post-closure monitoring of the sanitary landfill facilities operated by the commission an amount not to exceed \$18,500,000 for payment to the State Treasurer for deposit in any solid waste debt defeasance fund created with respect to any county included within the Hackensack Meadowlands District."		

- The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.
- 45 "Such amounts necessary to fully fund the closure/post-closure obligations of the Hackensack Meadowlands Development Commission with respect to HMDC Landfill 1-E are appropriated, not to exceed \$23,500,000, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting and upon such terms and conditions as the State Treasurer and the Hackensack Meadowlands Development Commission may agree." The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.

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### 55 Social Services Programs

#### **GRANTS-IN-AID**

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Total State Appropriation, Department of Community Affairs This item is reduced to \$1,128,374,000.

## **34 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

#### 31 Direct Educational Services and Assistance

#### STATE AID

- 70 "Notwithstanding the provisions of P.L.1996, c.138 (C.18A:7F-1 et seq.) or any other law to the contrary, a school district which has a T&E budget for the 2001-2002 school year calculated pursuant to subsection d. of section 13 of P.L.1996, c.138 (C.18A:7F-13) which is below the minimum T&E budget calculated pursuant to subsection c. of section 13 of P.L.1996, c.138 (C.18A:7F-13) and which is the sending district in a sending-receiving relationship with an Abbott District shall receive supplemental State aid in such amount as is required to increase the district's T&E budget to the minimum T&E budget." The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.
- 70 "The unexpended balances as of June 30, 2001 in the Nonpublic Handicapped Aid account and the Nonpublic Auxiliary Services Aid account are appropriated for the Commissioner of Education to disburse increased amounts in one or more of the per pupil amounts authorized herein for an initial evaluation or reevaluation for examination and classification, speech correction, supplementary instruction services, and compensatory education; and to increase the per pupil amount for home instruction." The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.

## 34 Educational Support Services

#### **DIRECT STATE SERVICES**

"40-5064 Health, Safety, and Community Services This item is reduced to \$3,309,000.	\$3,365,000 ."
"Total Direct State Services Appropriation, Educational Support Service This item is reduced to \$37,744,000.	\$37,800,000 ."
"40 Advisory Council on Holocaust Education This item is reduced to \$244,000.	(\$300,000) ."

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\$1,130,738,000 .

"Total State Appropriation, Department of Education This item is reduced to \$7,329,201,000.

# 46 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES 21 Health Services

#### **DIRECT STATE SERVICES**

"02-4220 Family Health ServicesThis item is reduced to \$9,010,000."Total Direct State Services Appropriation, Health Services

This item is reduced to \$66,116,000.

- 97 "02 Minority Health Services This item is deleted in its entirety.
- **99** "The amount appropriated hereinabove for the Office on Minority and Multicultural Health is available for expenditure in a manner consistent with the provisions of Senate Bill, No.10 of 2000, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting." The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.

#### **GRANTS-IN-AID**

"Of the amounts appropriated for Maternal and Child Health Services, there shall be available \$300,000 for the Perinatal Addictions Initiative, \$450,000 for Fetal Alcohol Clinics, and \$400,000 for the Maternal and Child Health Nutrition Initiative((, pending enactment of legislation establishing the programs))."
 The language within double-parenthesis is deleted.

22 Health Planning and Evaluation

#### **GRANTS-IN-AID**

106 "Of the amount appropriated herein for Health Care Subsidy Fund Payments, up to \$25,000,000, representing increased payments for hospital charity care, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting, is placed in reserve(( pending the enactment of P.L., c. (pending before the Legislature as Senate Bill, No. 17 of 2000)))." The language within double-parenthesis is deleted.

#### 26 Senior Services

#### **GRANTS-IN-AID**

- 111 "Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law or regulation to the contrary, effective July 1, 2001 consistent with the notice provisions of 42 CFR 447.205 where applicable, no funds appropriated in the Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Aged and Disabled program classification shall be expended except under the following conditions: legend and non-legend drugs dispensed by a retail pharmacy shall be limited to a maximum 34-day supply for an initial prescription and a 34-day or 100 unit dose supply, whichever is greater, for any prescription refill((, except for those participating in the Voluntary Discount Plan))."
  The language within double-parenthesis is deleted.
- 111 "No funds shall be expended for the Senior Gold Program until enabling legislation is enacted." The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.
- 112 "Of the amount appropriated herein for Payments for Medical Assistance Recipients- Nursing Homes, \$12,210,000 in State funds and \$12,210,000 in federal funds are placed in reserve, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting, ((pending the enactment of P.L., c. (pending before the Legislature as Senate Bill, No.369 of 2000)))." The language within double-parenthesis is deleted.
- **113** "Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law or regulation to the contrary, effective July 1, 2000 consistent with the notice provisions of 42 CFR 447.205 where applicable, no funds appropriated in the Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Aged and Disabled program classification shall be expended except under the following conditions: legend and non-legend drugs dispensed by a retail pharmacy shall be limited to a maximum 34-day supply for an initial prescription and

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a 34-day or 100 unit dose supply, whichever is greater, for any prescription refill((, except for those participating in the Voluntary Discount Plan))." The language within double-parenthesis is deleted.

"Total State Appropriation, Department of Health and Senior Services This item is reduced to \$1,109,621,000. \$1,111,121,000 ."

## 54 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

23 Mental Health Services 7700 Division of Mental Health Services GRANTS-IN-AID

**117** "Carrier Clinic ((- Treatment of Greystone Patients))" The title within double-parenthesis is deleted.

## 24 Special Health Services 7540 Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services <u>GRANTS-IN-AID</u>

125 "Of the amount appropriated herein for Payments for Medical Assistance Recipients- Inpatient Hospital, \$15,000,000 in State funds and \$15,000,000 in federal funds are placed in reserve, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting, ((pending the enactment of P.L., c. (pending before the Legislature as Senate Bill, No.17 of 2000)))." The language within double-parenthesis is deleted.

## 53 Economic Assistance and Security 7550 Division of Family Development <u>DIRECT STATE SERVICES</u>

**139** "Of the amounts appropriated for Work First New Jersey Child Support Initiatives, \$50,000 shall be available for the Child Support Lien Network program ((subject to the enactment of enabling legislation establishing the program))." The language within double-parenthesis is deleted.

#### **GRANTS-IN-AID**

"Of the amounts appropriated for Kinship Care Guardianship and Subsidy, \$1,600,000 shall be available for a Kinship Care Assessments program subject to the enactment of enabling legislation establishing the program."
 The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.

## 55 Social Services Programs 7570 Division of Youth and Family Services <u>GRANTS-IN-AID</u>

147 "Of the amounts appropriated for the School Based Youth Services Program, there shall be available \$400,000 for the After School Reading Initiative, \$200,000 for the After School Start-Up Fund, \$400,000 for School Health Clinics, and \$530,000 for Positive Youth Development((, pending the enactment of enabling legislation establishing the programs))." The language within double-parenthesis is deleted.

## 67 DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS

#### 14 Military Services

#### **DIRECT STATE SERVICES**

"40-3620 New Jersey National Guard Support ServicesThis item is reduced to \$7,944,000."Total Direct State Services Appropriation, Military Services

This item is reduced to \$13,339,000.

\$13,364,000 ."

\$7,969,000 ."

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"40	New Jersey Naval Militia Joint Command - Personnel and Operational Support This item is reduced to \$125,000.	(\$150,000) ."

"Total State Appropriation, Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs This item is reduced to \$75,945,000.

## 74 DEPARTMENT OF STATE

#### 36 Higher Educational Services

### **DIRECT STATE SERVICES**

"80-2400 Statewide Planning and Coordination for Higher Education This item is reduced to \$1,167,000.	\$1,267,000 ."
"Total Direct State Services Appropriation, Higher Educational Services This item is reduced to \$1,572,000.	\$1,672,000 ."
"80 Commission on Higher Education - Advocacy This item is deleted in its entirety.	(\$100,000) ."

## 2405 Higher Education Student Assistance Authority GRANTS-IN-AID

- 177 "Notwithstanding the provisions of any law to the contrary, the Higher Education Student Assistance Authority shall provide to all qualified applicants for full-time Tuition Aid Grants increases to maximum award values that fund, at a minimum, an equal percentage of tuition up to the maximum allowable under the Tuition Aid Grant statute. All other award increases at each institution shall not exceed the percentage increase provided for the maximum award at that institution. ((All awards provided must be fundable within the amount hereinabove provided for Tuition Aid Grants plus funding from the Part-Time Tuition Aid Grants-EOF Students program and available federal Leveraging Educational Assistance Partnership funds.)) Reappropriated balances shall be held as contingency for unanticipated increases in the number of applicants qualifying for full-time Tuition Aid Grant awards or to fund shifts in the distribution of awards that result in an increase in total program costs." The language within double-parenthesis is deleted.
- 177 "In addition to the amounts appropriated hereinabove there is appropriated an amount not to exceed \$500,000 for the World Class Economy Scholarship Program ((subject to the enactment of enabling legislation))."
   The language within double-parenthesis is deleted.
- 177 "In addition to the amount appropriated hereinabove for Tuition Aid Grants, there are appropriated such sums as are required to cover the costs of ((unanticipated)) increases in the number of applicants qualifying for full-time Tuition Aid Grants awards or fund shifts in the distribution of awards that result in an increase in total program costs, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting."

The language within double-parenthesis is deleted.

## 37 Cultural and Intellectual Development Services

### **GRANTS-IN-AID**

"06-0000 Museum Services This item is reduced to \$250,000.		\$375,000 ."
"07-2540 Development of Historical Resources This item is reduced to \$5,827,000.		\$5,857,000 ."
"Total Grants-In-Aid Appropriation, Cultural and Intellectual Development Services This item is reduced to \$28,122,000.		\$28,277,000 ."
"06 Morris Museum - Capital Improvements This item is reduced to \$125,000.	(\$250,000) ."	

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\$75,970,000 ."

(\$30,000) ."

"Total State Appropriation, Department of State This item is reduced to \$1,249,326,000. \$1,249,581,000 ."

# 78 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

## 61 State and Local Highway Facilities

### **CAPITAL**

202 "From the amounts appropriated from the revenues and other funds of the New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund Authority for fiscal year 2002 transportation capital program, the Commissioner of Transportation shall allocate and transfer up to \$4,000,000 for the Service Preservation Program for private motor carriers which shall be restricted to those carriers that currently qualify for participation in New Jersey Transit's Private Carrier Capital Improvement Program (PCCIP), and the amount provided herein shall be allocated to the private motor carriers through the same formula used to administer the PCCIP program. Private motor carries receiving an allocation of such funds shall be required to submit to New Jersey Transit a full accounting, demonstrating that the funds were used to increase or maintain the current level of public transportation service or improve vehicle maintenance. These funds may be used for the procurement of any goods or services currently approved under New Jersey Transit's PCCIP program, as well as: facility improvements, vehicle procurement and capital maintenance that comports with subsection r. of section 3 of P.L.1984, c.73 (C.37:1B-3). Such maintenance and equipment procurements shall apply to vehicles owned by the private motor carriers and used in public transportation service, as well as New Jersey Transit owned vehicles. Under no circumstances shall these funds be used to pay for the salaries of any office holder or owner of a private motor carrier. Private motor carriers participating in this program shall be required to document that those funds received by the private motor carriers were used to benefit the taxpayers of this State."

The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.

**202** "From the amounts appropriated from the revenues and other funds of the New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund Authority for fiscal year 2002 transportation capital program, the Commissioner of Transportation shall allocate and transfer up to \$1,500,000, from a part or all of any item or items, under the general program heading "New Jersey Transit Corporation," to conduct preliminary design and engineering work by New Jersey Transit for a new rail station in Old Bridge."

The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.

### 82 DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

#### 52 Economic Regulation

#### **DIRECT STATE SERVICES**

211 "Notwithstanding the provisions of any law to the contrary, the unexpended balance as of June 30, 2001 of assessments of public utilities and the cable television industry that are not expended by the Board of Public Utilities, including but not limited to assessments attributable to rent, fringe benefits, and other indirect costs, are appropriated to the board for operating costs."

The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.

## 94 INTERDEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNTS

#### 74 General Government Services

### **DIRECT STATE SERVICES**

228 "In addition to the amounts appropriated hereinabove for the New Jersey Economic Development Authority, there is appropriated an amount not to exceed \$50,000 for the authority to administer the New Jersey Emerging Technology and Biotechnology Financial Assistance Program, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting, provided however, that the authority shall not expend this appropriation to administer this program, unless, notwithstanding the limitations under the methods for

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allocating transferable tax benefits among approved companies set forth in subsection b. of section 1 of P.L.1997, c.334 (C.34:1B-7.42a), an eligible applicant, who has previously participated in the program and has more than \$500,000 of transferable tax benefits that was approved to surrender tax benefits in the prior fiscal year, is approved to surrender a minimum of 50% of the transferable tax benefit surrendered in the prior fiscal year or \$500,000, whichever is greater, provided that the amount of transferable tax benefits approved shall not exceed the applicant's transferable tax benefits for the current fiscal year, and provided further, that the maximum lifetime value of surrendered tax benefits of \$10,000,000 for that applicant is not exceeded, and, that the State fiscal year limit of \$40,000,000 for approved transfers is not exceeded."

The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.

#### CAPITAL

	"08-9480 Capital Projects - Statewide This item is reduced to \$177,219,000.		\$179,719,000 ."
	"Total Capital Appropriation, General Government Services This item is reduced to \$177,219,000.		\$179,719,000 ."
)	<ul> <li>"08 South Jersey Port Corporation Storage Facility and Intermodal Transportation Depot This item is deleted in its entirety.</li> </ul>	(\$2,500,000) ."	

"Total State Appropriation, Interdepartmental Accounts This item is reduced to \$1,805,687,000. \$1,808,187,000 ."

## 98 THE JUDICIARY

### **15 Judicial Services**

### **DIRECT STATE SERVICES**

**237** "The unexpended balances as of June 30, 2001((not to exceed \$2,000,000)) in these respective accounts are appropriated subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting."

The language within double-parenthesis is deleted.

237 "The amount appropriated for Kinship Legal Guardianship shall be available subject to the enactment of enabling legislation establishing the program."The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.

Total State Appropriation, All State Funds This item is reduced to \$22,920,703,000

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# GENERAL PROVISIONS

**294** "There are appropriated such sums as are necessary not to exceed \$8,000,000, to help meet outstanding debt service payments on bonds issued for capital construction completed before July 1, 1999 for hospitals that cease acute care operations after July 1, 2000, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting and the State Treasurer. No appropriations are available unless the following conditions have been met:

a. Full financial disclosure, as defined by the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting and the State Treasurer, in consultation with the Commissioner of Health and Senior Services, of the hospital ceasing acute care operations and of any hospital that acquires parts or the entirety of the hospital ceasing acute services must be provided and approved by the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting, the State Treasurer and the Commissioner of Health and Senior Services.

b. Submission of a plan that complies with criteria and program guidelines established by the Commissioner of Health and Senior Services, the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting and the State Treasurer. The plan should describe the potential disposition of the facility, if such a plan exists. The ongoing access to emergency services to the service area of the hospital ceasing acute care operations should also be identified.

c. Lastly, the State is the payor of last resort and the plan must specify the availability of other resources including, but not limited to:

(1) Funds from bond insurance;

(2) The net revenue likely to accrue to a hospital acquiring the assets of the hospital ceasing acute care operations;

(3) The net liabilities of the hospital ceasing acute care operations; and

(4) The assets of a hospital system whose member is a hospital ceasing acute care operations."

The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.

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## 22 DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

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- **33** The appropriation of \$750,000 for Bloomfield Township Riverbank Restoration and Erosion Control is reduced to \$250,000. Based on information supplied by the sponsor, funding at the reduced amount is adequate.
- **34** The appropriation of \$100,000 for Caldwell Borough Township Community Center is reduced to \$50,000. Based on information provided by the sponsor, only \$50,000 is needed for this purpose.
- 34 The appropriation of \$80,000 for Cedar Grove Township Community Park Playground Rehabilitation is reduced to \$50,000. Based on information provided by the sponsor, only \$50,000 is needed for this purpose.
- **34** The appropriation of \$150,000 for Cedar Grove Township Fire Department Truck Bay Extension is reduced to \$100,000. Based on information provided by the sponsor, only \$100,000 is needed for this purpose.
- 37 The appropriation of \$50,000 for Little Falls Township Civic Center Rehabilitation is eliminated. This item duplicates a similar appropriation entitled 'Little Falls Township - Civic Center and Wilmore Park Projects -- \$114,000'.
- 37 The appropriation of \$35,000 for Little Falls Township Sikorsky Park Renovation is eliminated. Based on information provided by the sponsor, no funding is warranted for this project at this time.
- **38** The appropriation of \$155,000 for Medford Township Public Safety Equipment is reduced to \$140,000. This funding will be sufficient for appropriate improvements.
- **38** The appropriation of \$75,000 for North Caldwell Borough Tennis Facility Lighting is eliminated. Based on information provided by the sponsor, no funding is warranted for this project at this time.
- **39** The appropriation of \$70,000 for Pennington Borough Streetscape and Downtown Revitalization is eliminated. Based on information provided by the sponsor, no funding is warranted for this project at this time.
- 41 The appropriation of \$390,000 for Sussex Wantage Branch Library is reduced to \$190,000. Based on information supplied by the sponsor, funding at the reduced amount is adequate.
- 41 The appropriation of \$25,000 for Verona Township Playground Equipment is eliminated. Based on information provided by the sponsor, no funding is warranted for this project at this time.
- 42 The funding for the item entitled Little Falls Township Civic Center of \$114,000 is eliminated. This item duplicates a similar appropriation entitled 'Little Falls Township - Civic Center and Wilmore Park Projects -- \$114,000'.
- 44 Language authorizing withdrawals of up to \$18.5 million from landfill escrow accounts established by the Hackensack Meadowlands Development Commission for the purpose of defeasing solid waste debt in related counties is eliminated. This language is contained in separate legislation.
- **45** Language authorizing up to \$23.5 million for the Hackensack Meadowlands Development Commission's costs related to closing Landfill 1-E is eliminated. This language is contained in separate legislation.
- 52 The appropriation of \$100,000 for Morris Center YMCA Child Care Facility is reduced to \$50,000. Based on information provided by the sponsor, only \$50,000 is needed for this purpose.
- **52** The appropriation of \$100,000 for Northwest New Jersey Community Action Program Building Renovation is eliminated. Based on information provided by the sponsor, no funding is warranted for this item at this time.
- **53** The appropriation of \$1 million for the Somerset Hills School Building Construction is eliminated. No funding is warranted for this project at this time.
- **55** Language appropriating \$640,000 from the Volunteer Emergency Service Organizations Loan Fund for the purpose of purchasing emergency vehicles in North Arlington, Atlantic County, Nutley, Middletown, and Rumson is eliminated. This language provision allocates funds from a source that does not have available balances.

## 34 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

- 70 Language providing supplemental State Aid to sending districts in a sending receiving relationship with an Abbott District is eliminated. This language seeks to direct an additional \$2 million to various school districts, but no additional funding was added to the Department of Education's budget for this purpose.
- **70** Language providing the carry forward of funds from the Nonpublic Handicapped Aid and the Nonpublic Auxiliary Services Aid accounts is eliminated. This language would reduce the surplus by \$5.5 million and this reduction has not been factored as part of this budget.
- **78** The appropriation for the Advisory Council on Holocaust Education is reduced by \$56,000. This funding inadvertently duplicates a similar \$100,000 increase inserted in this budget.

# 46 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES

- **97** The appropriation of \$1.5 million for the Office of Minority and Multicultural Health is eliminated. Bill \$10 which also provides an appropriation for this purpose is expected to be signed into law. This appropriation is no longer necessary.
- **99** The language governing the Office of Minority and Multicultural Health is eliminated. Senate Bill 10 is expected to be signed into law. The language is no longer needed.
- **103** The language provision stipulating that the expenditure of funds for Maternal and Child Health Services be contingent upon the passage of legislation is eliminated. While the Acting Governor will work cooperatively with the Legislature, language subjecting these funds to a later enactment will result in an unnecessary delay.
- **106** The language provision stipulating that the appropriation for Health Care Subsidy Fund Payments be contingent upon the passage of legislation is eliminated. While the Acting Governor will work cooperatively with the Legislature on this initiative, language subjecting these funds to a later enactment will result in an unnecessary delay.
- 111 The language governing the Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Aged and Disabled Program is amended to delete a reference to the Voluntary Discount Program. This language is inconsistent with a language deletion by the Legislature that eliminated the authority to move forward with the Voluntary Discount Program.
- **111** The language provision making expenditures in the Senior Gold Program contingent upon the passage of legislation is eliminated. This language is no longer needed due to the enactment of enabling legislation.
- **112** The language provision stipulating that the appropriation related to Spousal Impoverishment (ie., Payments for Medical Assistance Recipients -Nursing Homes) be contingent upon passage of legislation is eliminated. While the Acting Governor will work cooperatively with the legislature, language subjecting these funds to a later enactment will result in an unnecessary delay.
- **113** The language governing the Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Aged and Disabled Program is amended to delete a reference to the Voluntary Discount Program. This language is inconsistent with a language deletion by the Legislature that eliminated the authority to move forward with the Voluntary Discount Program.

## 54 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

- **117** The title relating to Carrier Clinics Treatment of Greystone Patients is amended. The title change to Carrier Clinics is a technical change which more accurately reflects the intent of the sponsor.
- 125 The language provision stipulating that the appropriation for Payments for Medical Assistance Recipients- Inpatient Hospital be contingent upon the passage of legislation is eliminated. While the Acting Governor will work cooperatively with the Legislature on this issue, language subjecting these funds to a later enactment will result in unnecessary delays.
- **139** The language provision stipulating that the appropriation for Work First New Jersey Child Support Initiatives be contingent upon the passage of legislation is eliminated. While the Acting Governor will work cooperatively with the Legislature on this initiative, language subjecting these funds to a later enactment will result in unnecessary delay.

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- 141 The language provision stipulating that the appropriation for Kinship Care Guardianship and Subsidy be contingent upon the passage of legislation is eliminated. While the Acting Governor will work cooperatively with the Legislature on this initiative, language subjecting these funds to a later enactment will result in an unnecessary delay.
- 147 The language provision stipulating that the appropriation for School Based Youth Services be contingent upon the passage of legislation is eliminated. While the Acting Governor will work cooperatively with the Legislature on this initiative, language subjecting these funds to a later enactment will result in unnecessary delay.

## 67 DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS

**169** The appropriation of \$150,000 for the New Jersey Naval Militia is reduced by \$25,000. This is a newly organized entity and it received State appropriations for the first time through legislation supported by the Acting Governor earlier this year. A smaller increase is adequate at this time pending review of this new organization.

## 74 DEPARTMENT OF STATE

- **175** The appropriation of \$100,000 for the Commission on Higher Education Advocacy is eliminated. Additional advocacy for the New Jersey higher education community can be undertaken by the colleges and their umbrella organizations.
- 177 The language that defines the parameters for setting award levels for the Tuition Aid Grant program is amended, to provide needed clarification to implement the program. The deletion of this language will ensure that Tuition Aid Grants can be increased as originally proposed by Governor Whitman.
- 177 The language that appropriates an amount not to exceed \$500,000 for the World Class Economy Scholarship Program is amended to provide needed flexibility to implement the program. While the administration will work cooperatively with the Legislature on this initiative, language subjecting these funds to a later enactment will result in unnecessary delay.
- 177 The language that appropriates such sums as are required to cover the costs of unanticipated increases in the number of applicants qualifying for full-time Tuition Aid Grants awards or fund shifts in the distribution of awards that result in an increase in total program costs, is amended to provide needed clarification to implement the program. The deletion of this language will ensure that Tuition Aid Grants can be increased as originally proposed by Governor Whitman.
- **187** The appropriation of \$250,000 for Morris Museum- Capital Improvements is reduced by half. Based on information provided by the sponsor, funding is adequate at the reduced amount.
- 187 The funding for the item entitled Musconetcong Advisory Committee Historic Bridges Designation Project of \$30,000 is eliminated. Based on information provided by the sponsor, no funding is warranted for this item at this time.

# 78 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

- **202** Language appropriating up to \$4 million from the Transportation Trust Fund for the Service Preservation Program is deleted. This budget already contains significant increases in appropriations so that new buses can be purchased by the State for private bus carriers. Additional funding in support of private bus carriers is not needed at this time.
- **202** Language appropriating \$1.5 million from the Transportation Trust Fund for the Old Bridge Rail Station is deleted. The manner in which funding was accommodated would have required an unspecified \$1.5 million reduction elsewhere in the Department.

## 82 DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

**211** Language that allows the carry forward of Direct State Services appropriations made on behalf of the Board of Public Utilities for rent, fringe benefits, and other indirect costs is eliminated. Adjustments will be made in the subsequent year assessment.

# 94 INTERDEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNTS

- **228** Language governing the transfer of tax benefits related to the New Jersey Emerging Technology and Biotechnology Financial Assistance Program is eliminated. This change must be effectuated through statutory amendments.
- **230** The appropriation of \$2.5 million for the South Jersey Port Corporation -- Storage Facility and Intermodal Transportation Depot is eliminated. Economic development funding should be sought through the Economic Development Authority for this initiative.

## 98 THE JUDICIARY

- **237** The language provision limiting carry forward balances of \$2,000,000 for the Judiciary is eliminated. This will ensure that adequate funding will be available for the Judicial Branch to meet its fiscal needs.
- **237** The language provision stipulating that the appropriation for Kinship Legal Guardianship be contingent upon the passage of legislation is eliminated. While the Acting Governor will work cooperatively with the Legislature on this initiative, language subjecting these funds to a later enactment will result in unnecessary delay.

# GENERAL PROVISIONS

294 The language governing the expenditure of funds for the Hospital Asset Transformation Program is eliminated. Hospitals will greatly benefit from \$25 million in additional funds for charity care, \$30 million in additional funds for Medicaid hospital rate increases and \$71 million in additional funds for FamilyCare that was placed in this legislation. The language is no longer needed.

Respectfully,

**Donald T. DiFrancesco** Acting Governor

Attested,

James A. Harkness Chief Counsel