“DIRECT STATE SERVICES”

“DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE”

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“03-3330 Resource Development Services ......................... 1,767,000.”
This item is reduced to $1,617,000.

“Total Appropriation, Agricultural Resources, Planning and Regulation ................................................................. $9,207,000.”
This item is reduced to $9,057,000.

“Future Farmers’ Youth Development ......................... (345,000).”
This item is reduced to $195,000.

“Total Appropriation, Department of Agriculture........... $9,207,000.”
This item is reduced to $9,057,000.

“DEPARTMENT OF BANKING AND INSURANCE”

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“In addition to the sum hereinabove, such other sums as the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting shall determine are appropriated ((on behalf of the Department of Banking and Insurance)) from the assessments of the insurance industry pursuant to P.L. 1995, c. 156 (C.17:1C-19 et seq.).”
The language within double parentheses is deleted.

“DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT”

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“Subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting, of the sums hereinabove appropriated, or otherwise made available, for the Office of Sustainability, the Commissioner of Commerce and Economic Development is authorized to contract with the New Jersey Economic Development Authority which shall finance loans to sustainable businesses. ((No later than June 30, 1999, the Commissioner shall provide a report to the Joint Budget Oversight Committee on the grants and loans provided through the Office of Sustainability to date, including but not limited to, a summary of each loan and grant agreement and the amount of each loan or grant.))”
The language within double parentheses is deleted.

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“Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection g. of section 29 of P.L.1983, c.303, (C.52:27H-88), no amount appropriated hereinabove for the costs of personnel, operating expenses and marketing for the New Jersey Urban Enterprise Zone Authority and the Department of Commerce and Economic Development from the account created in the name of the New Jersey Urban Enterprise Zone Authority in the enterprise zone assistance fund shall be expended by the Department of Commerce and Economic Development or by the authority until receipt by the legislature of the fiscal impact study of enterprise zones required pursuant to section 11 of P.L. 1993, c.367 (C.52:27H-65.1). Nothing herein shall prevent the distribution to qualifying municipalities of each municipality’s contribution to the enterprise zone assistance fund for the coordination and administration of the program within the municipality, including but not limited to costs for personnel, operating expenses and marketing.”
The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.

“DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS”

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“09-7060 Institutional Treatment Program ......................... 1,907,000.”
This item is reduced to $1,672,000.

“Total Appropriation, Bayside State Prison ......................... $51,710,000.”
This item is reduced to $51,475,000.

“Farm Equipment ....................................................... (235,000).”
This item is deleted in its entirety.

“The funds appropriated hereinabove shall not be expended if the facility is reclassified to minimum security.”
The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.
“Total Appropriation, Department of Corrections .............. $700,425,000.”
This item is reduced to $700,190,000.

“DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION”

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44 “11-4870 Forest Resource Management ............................. 7,156,000.”
This item is reduced to $6,156,000.

44 “12-4875 Parks Management .............................................. 36,568,000.”
This item is reduced to $31,539,000.

44 “Total Appropriation, Natural Resource Management........ $59,859,000.”
This item is reduced to $53,830,000.

45 “Fire Fighting Costs ............................................................ (2,525,000).”
This item is reduced to $1,525,000.

45 “High Point State Park, Brush Chipper ............................... (13,000).”
This item is deleted in its entirety.

45 “Forest Fire Attack Equipment Trailer................................ (16,000).”
This item is deleted in its entirety.

45 “Additional Park Staff......................................................... (2,000,000).”
This item is reduced to $1,500,000.

45 “Site Restoration and Maintenance ..................................... (5,000,000).”
This item is reduced to $500,000.

47 “The balance of funds in the Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Facility Fund, established pursuant to P.L.1991, c.166 (C.13:1E-181.3), shall be returned to all such generators in the same proportion in which the fees were assessed and paid pursuant to P.L.1991, c.166 (C.13:1E-181.1 et seq.).”
The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.

51 “Total Appropriation, Department of Environmental Protection $183,086,000.”
This item is reduced to $177,057,000.

“DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES”

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57 “All administrative functions associated with the Traumatic Brain Injury waiver program handled by the Department of Health and Senior Services are transferred to the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services in the Department of Human Services. On or before July 31, 1998, the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting shall transfer such funds and personnel as determined necessary from the Department of Health and Senior Services to the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services in the Department of Human Services to effectuate this administrative transfer.”
The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.

57 “The Commissioner of the Department of Health and Senior Services shall establish an advisory group to study the current formulas as provided by statute for the distribution of hospital charity care subsidy payments and by regulation for the distribution of Hospital Relief Fund payments, respectively, and their effects on hospitals throughout the State and recommend alternatives to more adequately address the financial needs of all hospitals in New Jersey and ensure access to quality health care for the residents of this State. The study shall pursue permanent funding solutions that endeavor to provide each hospital with funding that at a minimum will provide the hospital with 50% of its documented 1996 charity care costs.”
The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.

“DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES”

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60 “All administrative functions associated with the Traumatic Brain Injury waiver program handled by the Department of Health and Senior Services are transferred to the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services in the Department of Human Services. On or before July 31, 1998, the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting shall transfer such funds and personnel as determined necessary from the Department of Health and Senior Services to the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services in the Department of Human Services to effectuate this administrative transfer.”
The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.
“The Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting shall transfer from the Funding in Lieu of Privatization account to the department’s operating accounts such sums as are necessary to replace savings that were anticipated from privatization initiatives that shall not be undertaken.”
The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.

“DEPARTMENT OF LABOR”

“Notwithstanding the provisions of the "1992 New Jersey Employment and Workforce Development Act" P.L. 1992,c.43, (C.34:15D-1 et seq.), the Commissioner of the Department of Labor, in consultation with the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting, shall allocate an additional amount, not to exceed $10,000,000 from the balance in the Workforce Development Partnership Fund to adequately fund the Customized Training program. ((The Commissioner shall provide a report to the Joint Budget Oversight Committee on or before June 30, 1999 describing all grants provided through this additional funding, including but not limited to, a summary of each grant agreement and the amount of each grant)).”
The language within double parentheses is deleted.

“DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL”

“Any study or review conducted with funding from the amount appropriated for Classification and Compensation Redesign shall include: (1) recommended modifications of compensable factors in order to achieve equitable pay within reviewable titles; (2) an evaluation of the Department of Personnel’s title evaluation and wage-setting process of reviewable titles in order to achieve equitable pay in reviewable titles; (3) a review of the State compensation plan and recommendations for any changes in the current salary range determination mechanisms as they relate to reviewable titles; and (4) recommendations for the amount of money needed to be appropriated over one or more fiscal years in order to achieve pay equity for persons in reviewable titles. "Compensable factors" shall be standards used to evaluate jobs or positions in State employment. The compensable factors used shall be based on the same criteria for both men and women and shall be selected so as to avoid any discrimination on the basis, either directly or indirectly, of sex, race or national origin, and the composite measure of these factors shall be considered determinative of a job’s overall worth. These factors shall be objectively determined, evaluated and used to establish rates of pay between titles. “Reviewable titles” shall be titles or any class of titles dominated by employees of a single sex, race or national origin. A title shall be considered reviewable when at least 70% of the incumbent employees are of one sex or when the department determines that one race or national origin is disproportionately represented. A reviewable title shall have not fewer than 15 incumbent employees.”
The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.

“DEPARTMENT OF STATE”

“This item is reduced to $3,066,000.

“This item is reduced to $1,225,000.

“This item is reduced to $250,000.”

“This item is reduced to $9,229,000.”
“DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION”

Page 87

“01-6400 Motor Vehicle Services…………………………… $93,810,000.”
This item is reduced to $92,924,000.

“Total Appropriation, Vehicular Safety …………………….. $103,507,000.”
This item is reduced to $102,621,000.

“Motor Vehicles Private Agent Contract Payments 5% COLA (886,000).”
This item is deleted in its entirety.

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“Notwithstanding the provisions of the Private Agent Contract regarding maximum salary amounts or other compensation limitations, the amount appropriated hereinafore for Motor Vehicles Private Agent Contract Payments 5% COLA shall be available for cost of living adjustments.”
The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.

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“Such amount as is necessary from the Management and Administrative Services program classification in the Regulation and General Management State-wide program in the department is allocated for the Commissioner of Transportation to identify the ((10)) most congested and ((10)) most dangerous traffic locations in the State, after consultation with the Division of State Police in the Department of Law and Public Safety and local traffic enforcement officials, and to make recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature on measures necessary to remedy these ((10)) most congested and ((10)) most dangerous traffic locations.”
The language within the double parenthesis is deleted.

Page 91

“Total Appropriation, Department of Transportation ….. $168,638,000.”
This item is reduced to $167,752,000.

“INTERDEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNTS”

Page 102

“An amount ((not to exceed $1,000,000)) shall be appropriated to implement the Facilities Master Plan, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.”
The language within double parenthesis is deleted.

Page 104

“The amount appropriated hereinafore for the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority under the Utilities and Other Services program classification shall be used for the operating costs of the authority. The authority shall submit a report to the Legislature detailing the plans for expenditure of these funds as well as progress reports, as requested by the Legislature, following their disbursements.”
The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.

Page 104

“03-9410 Employee Benefits ……………………………….. $1,138,667,000.”
This item is reduced to $1,137,167,000.

“Total Appropriation, Employee Benefits………………….. $1,138,667,000.”
This item is reduced to $1,137,167,000.

“Fringe Benefit Costs – Division of Fish and Game……… (1,500,000).”
This item is deleted in its entirety.

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“In addition to the amount hereinafore for ((Year 2000)) Data Processing ((Initiative)), there is appropriated an amount ((not to exceed $8,000,000)) as determined by the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting ((and subject to the approval Joint Budget Oversight Committee))”. The language within double parenthesis is deleted.

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“The Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting shall transfer from the Funding in Lieu of Privatization account to the department’s operating accounts such sums as are necessary to replace savings that were anticipated from privatization initiatives that shall not be undertaken.”
The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.
"Total Appropriation, Inter-Departmental Accounts........... $1,630,346,000."
This item is reduced to $1,628,846,000.

"THE JUDICIARY"

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107
"07-9740 Probation Services .............................................. 88,622,000."
This item is reduced to $87,690,000.

107
"Total Appropriation, Judicial Services ......................... $366,181,000."
This item is reduced to $365,249,000.

107
"Salaries and Wages............................................................ (239,717,000)."
This item is reduced to $238,785,000.

108
"Of the amounts appropriated hereinabove for Civil Courts, Criminal Courts, Family Courts, Probation Services, and Trial Court Services, the Administrative Office of the Courts shall transfer funds necessary for the retention of court reporters". The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.

108
"Total Appropriation, The Judiciary .............................. $366,181,000."
This item is reduced to $365,249,000.

108
"Total Appropriation, Direct State Services........................ $4,607,845,000."
This item is reduced to $4,597,463,000.

"GRANTS-IN-AID"

"DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT"

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108
"20-2800 Economic Development ......................................... $1,050,000."
This item is reduced to $550,000.

109
"Total Appropriation, Economic Planning and Development ........ $1,050,000."
This item is reduced to $550,000.

109
"International Market Development Centers -- New Jersey Institute of Technology / Rowan University .... ($500,000)."
This item is deleted in its entirety.

109
"Total Appropriation, Department of Commerce and Economic Development ........................................... $20,134,000."
This item is reduced to $19,634,000.

"DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS"

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111 "The State Treasurer is authorized to enter into a contract with the New Jersey Redevelopment Authority related to the development and financing of a project by the Authority for the John J. Heldrich Center for Workforce Development at Rutgers, the State University in the city of New Brunswick. ((The contract may provide for the annual payment by the State to the Authority of an amount equivalent to the amount required to repay the principal and interest on a redevelopment bond issued by the Authority in connection with the project, subject to future appropriation being made therefor.)) Any such contract shall be executed in accordance with, and shall in all respects comply with the provisions of the “New Jersey Urban Redevelopment Act,” P.L. 1996, c.62 (C.55:19-20 et al.) There are appropriated such amounts, not to exceed $1,700,000, ((as are required to reimburse the New Jersey Redevelopment Authority for debt service obligations incurred in connection with the project cited in this provision,)) subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.” The language in double parenthesis is deleted.

111
"05-8050 Community Resources ........................................ 34,010,000."
This item is reduced to $30,270,000.

111
"Total Appropriation, Social Services Programs ............... $36,806,000."
This item is reduced to $33,066,000.

112 "Highlands Borough - Fire House................................. (500,000)."
This item is reduced to $250,000.
112 “Atlantic Highlands Public Works Projects ........................ (536,000).”
   This item is deleted in its entirety.

112 “Carlstadt Borough -- Park Improvements ....................... (9,000).”
   This item is deleted in its entirety.

113 “First Occupational Center of New Jersey
   -- Headquarters Building Restoration ............................. (100,000).”
   This item is deleted in its entirety.

115 “Urban Agriculture and Community Gardens Program,
Trenton and Camden ...................................................... (45,000).”
   This item is deleted in its entirety.

115 “Save the Children Coalition and Amani Church, Trenton.
   This item is deleted in its entirety.

116 “Morris County Fire and Police Academy Life
   Safety Complex ............................................................. (1,500,000).”
   This item is deleted in its entirety.

116 “Clean Ocean Action, Monmouth County ......................... (25,000).”
   This item is deleted in its entirety.

116 “Fire House, Glen Gardner ............................................ (1,000,000).”
   This item is reduced to $300,000.

116 “Wyckoff Township Downtown Streetscape Beautification
   Project ................................................................. (420,000).”
   This item is reduced to $250,000.

119 “Wantage Library ........................................................ (500,000).”
   This item is reduced to $100,000.

119 “Total Appropriation, Department of Community Affairs . $78,756,000.”
   This item is reduced to $75,016,000.

“DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS”

Page 119 “Such sums as are necessary to pay prior year claims to counties for housing State inmates in county assistance bedspaces, and for any fiscal year 1999 costs required in addition to the amount hereinabove, ((which are based on the same county assistance contractual arrangements,)) are appropriated ((to the Purchase of Services for Inmates Incarcerated in County Penal Facilities account for the same purpose,))subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.”
   The language in double parentheses is deleted.

“DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES”

Page 121 “03-4230 Public Health Protection Services ................. 6,691,000.”
   This item is reduced to $1,599,000.

121 “02-4220 Family Health Services .............................. 10,304,000.”
   This item is reduced to $10,154,000.

121 “Total Appropriation, Health Services ......................... $51,929,000.”
   This item is reduced to $46,687,000.

122 “Health Wellness Promotion Act Monitoring, UMDNJ........ (92,000).”
   This item is deleted in its entirety.

122 “Coriell Institute for Medical Research--New Jersey
   Cord Blood Resource Center ........................................... (5,000,000).”
   This item is deleted in its entirety.

122 “Meridian Health System-Pediatric Asthma Education
   and Resource Center .................................................. (300,000).”
   This item is reduced to $150,000.
123 “07-4270 Health Care Systems Analysis............................. 86,400,000.”
This item is reduced to $65,300,000.

123 “Total Appropriation, Health Planning and Evaluation ...... $86,883,000.”
This item is reduced to $65,783,000.

123 “Charity Care Hospital Payments........................................ (64,100,000).”
This item is reduced to $44,100,000.

123 “Southern New Jersey Emergency Medicine Center ((Cooper Health System))………………………………….. (1,000,000).”
This item in double parenthesis is deleted.

123 “Pediatric Trauma Education Program ((Cooper Health System)) .............................................................................. (1,000,000).”
This item in double parenthesis is deleted.

124 “Family Medicine/Preventive Medicine Center ((Cooper Health System))………………………………….. (1,000,000).”
This item in double parenthesis is deleted.

124 “Northwest Covenant Health System--Advocacy Against Child Abuse………………………………….. (1,100,000).”
This item is deleted in its entirety.

126 “Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, no change in regulation or reimbursement methodology utilized for Medicaid rate setting for nursing facility services shall be made which will have the effect of reducing aggregate reimbursements to Medicaid nursing facilities below the amount appropriated except that subsequent to completing the rate calculations for each facility, a maximum of $10,000,000 (State and federal) may be recovered pursuant to the following formula: the Per patient day reduction shall equal the quotient of $10,000,000 divided by the number of Medicaid patient days for the period from July 1, 1997 through June 30, 1998.”
The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.

127 “Total Appropriation, Department of Health and Senior Services………………………………….. $781,695,000.”
This item is reduced to $755,353,000.

“DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES”

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137 “The amount hereinabove for Salary Supplement for Direct Service Workers shall be allocated by the Commissioner of the Department of Human Services to ((the Division of Mental Health Services and the Division of Developmental Disabilities)) grantees for the sole purpose of enhancing wages paid to direct service workers.”
The language within double parenthesis is deleted.

“DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY”

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138 “In addition to the amount appropriated hereinabove, there are appropriated such sums as are required to be distributed to counties for operating existing and new juvenile boot camp programs pursuant to section 10 of P.L. 1997, c.81 (C.5:9-22.3), as shall be determined by the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.”
The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.

“DEPARTMENT OF STATE ”

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140 “07-2540 Development of Historical Resources.............. 3,232,000.”
This item is reduced to $2,032,000.

140 “Total Appropriation, Cultural and Intellectual Development Services................................. $18,332,000.”
This item is reduced to $17,132,000.

140 “New Jersey Historical Society Relocation..................... (2,400,000).”
This item is reduced to $1,200,000.
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145 “82-2455 Institutional Support........................................... $77,488,000.”
This item is reduced to $77,363,000.

145 “Subtotal General Operations........................................ $77,488,000.”
This item is reduced to $77,363,000.

145 “Total Appropriation, Kean University............................... $33,761,000.”
This item is reduced to $33,636,000.

145 “New Jersey Gateway Institute for Regional Development (250,000).”
This item is reduced to $125,000.

146 “In addition to the amounts appropriated hereinafter, there is appropriated $300,000 for
Montclair State University for expenses related to an on-campus museum, contingent upon a one-
for-one match.”
The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.

147 “Total Appropriation, Department of State ......................... $834,132,000.”
This item is reduced to $832,807,000.

“DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY”

Page 148 “47-2155 Support to Independent Institutions .............. $24,207,000.”
This item is reduced to $23,207,000.

148 “Total Appropriation, Higher Educational Services ........ $229,725,000.”
This item is reduced to $228,725,000.

149 “Aid to Independent Colleges and Universities ............... (22,245,000).”
This item is reduced to $21,245,000.

151 “Total Appropriation, Department of the Treasury .......... $240,225,000.”
This item is reduced to $239,225,000.

151 “Total Appropriation, Grants-In-Aid................................. $4,318,535,000.”
This item is reduced to $4,285,628,000.

“STATE AID”

“DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS”

Page 151 “04-8030 Local Government Services ......................... $45,815,000.”
This item is reduced to $35,815,000.

151 “Total Appropriation, Community Development Management
This item is reduced to $52,536,000.

151 “Legislative Initiative Municipal Block Grant Program..... (43,000,000).”
This item is reduced to $33,000,000.

153 “Total Appropriation, Department of Community Affairs...
This item is reduced to $52,536,000.

“DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION”

Page 153 “03-5120 Miscellaneous Grants-in-Aid......................... $72,639,000.”
This item is reduced to $69,789,000.

153 “Total Appropriation, Direct Educational Services and Assistance...
This item is reduced to $563,464,000.

154 “Wildwood School District -- Education Impact Aid........ (1,900,000).”
This item is reduced to $950,000

154 “High Bridge Middle School Asbestos Abatement Program..... (1,300,000).”
This item is reduced to $500,000.
154 “New Brunswick Health Sciences and Technology High School... (1,600,000).” This item is reduced to $500,000.

155 “The Commissioner of Education shall not require an audit or review of any grant which equals $25,000 or less awarded by the Department of Education to a school district unless there is evidence of impropriety in the use or administration of that grant. The commissioner shall only require the submission of a written statement of certification by the superintendent of the district that the funds had been used in the manner required and for the purposes intended under the grant.” The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.

155 “Notwithstanding the provisions of section 24 of P.L. 1996, c.138 (C.18A:7F-24), and section 6 of P.L. 1979, c.207 (C.18A:7B-2), for each child residing in a local school district, including children not counted in the resident enrollment of the district, and requiring educational services while detained in the Sussex County juvenile detention center, except for State-sentenced juveniles, each local district’s share of the educational costs shall equal the per diem cost of the educational services and shall be paid to the agency providing such services. The cost of educating any juvenile not counted in the resident enrollment of a local district first shall be charged to the county aid required pursuant to section 24 of P.L. 1996, c.138 (C.18A:7F-24). Any county aid remaining after having first been used to pay the educational costs of juveniles not included in a local district’s resident enrollment shall be used to reduce the per diem educational costs for other juveniles requiring educational services.” The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.

157 “Total Appropriation, Department of Education................. $648,296,000.” This item is reduced to $645,446,000.

“DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION”

158 “Of the amount hereinabove for the Open Space - Local Match program, (($14,000,000 shall be allocated to the Open Space Preservation Partnership Fund and of the remainder,)) the portion determined to be attributable to open space acquisition shall be allocated to the Green Acres Program, Local Acquisition and Development, based on existing eligibility and ranking criteria and the portion determined to be attributable to the preservation of farmland shall be transferred to the State Agriculture Development Committee, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.” The language within double parentheses is deleted.

“DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES”

158 “02-4220 Family Health Services ....................................... $23,412,000.” This item is reduced to $22,912,000.

159 “Total Appropriation, Health Services ............................... $23,412,000.” This item is reduced to $22,912,000.

159 “Public Health Priority Funding.......................................... ($4,665,000).” This item is reduced to $4,165,000.

159 “The capitation is set not to exceed (((50))) cents for the year ending June 30, 1999 for the purposes prescribed in P.L. 1966,c. 36 (C.26:2F-1 et seq).” The amount within triple parenthesis is reduced to 40.

159 “Total Appropriation, Department of Health and Senior Services ................................................................. $25,957,000.” This item is reduced to $25,457,000.
“DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES”

162 “In addition to the amounts appropriated hereinabove for the General Assistance Emergency Assistance Program, Payments to Municipalities for Cost of General Assistance, and General Assistance County Administration accounts, an amount not to exceed $20,000,000 is appropriated ((from the Work First New Jersey Contingency Fund)) for the purposes of those accounts subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.”

The language within double parentheses is deleted.

“DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY”

162 “The ((grant)) amount hereinabove for the Safe and Secure Neighborhoods Program, together with amounts deposited in the “Safe Neighborhoods Services Fund,” ((established pursuant to section 5 of P.L. 1993, c. 220 (C.52:17B-163)), shall be allocated ((by the Attorney General exclusively to eligible municipalities for the purposes established by P.L. 1993, c. 220, including the purchase of law enforcement equipment; provided however, that)) notwithstanding ((the grant amount limitation imposed by subsection e of section 9 of)) P.L. 1993, c. 220 ((C.52:17B-167), grants to eligible municipalities shall be augmented in an amount proportionate to their most recent grant awards, to the extent that additional amounts are available in the Safe Neighborhoods Services Funds.”). The language within double parentheses is deleted.

“DEPARTMENT OF STATE”

162 “06-2535 Museum Services ............................................. 3,300,000.”

This item is reduced to $2,700,000.

162 “Total Appropriation, Cultural and Intellectual Development Services ................................................. 3,300,000.”

This item is reduced to $2,700,000.

162 “Operational Grant for Newark Museum ................................ (3,300,000).”

This item is reduced to $2,700,000.

163 “Total Appropriation, Department of State ............................................. $17,412,000.”

This item is reduced to $16,812,000.

165 “Total Appropriation, State Aid ............................................. $1,326,757,000.”

This item is reduced to $1,312,807,000.

“CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION”

“DEPARTMENT OF STATE”

170 “Higher Education Supplementary Capital ...................................... (6,500,000).”

This item is deleted in its entirety.

170 “The amount appropriated hereinabove for Higher Education Supplementary Capital shall be allocated among the senior public institutions of higher education in proportion to the number of full time equivalent undergraduate students for fiscal year 1998.”

The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.

172 “Total Appropriation, Department of State ............................................. $18,700,000.”

This item is reduced to $12,200,000.

“DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION”

177 “From funds authorized by the Legislature to be appropriated from the revenues and other funds of the New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund Authority for the fiscal year 1999 transportation capital construction program, the Commissioner of Transportation shall allocate and transfer from a part of all or any item or items to a new item the sum necessary for the repavement of lanes in both directions of Route 24 traversing Millburn Township, Essex County and the City of Summit,
Union County, with noise-reducing open graded asphalt. Specifically paving westbound from 590 feet east of New Jersey Transit Railroad bridge on Route 24 through exit 7A on Route 24 (eastbound side of J.F.K Parkway overpass); and eastbound: exit 7 on Route 24 through 490 feet east of New Jersey Transit Railroad bridge on Route 24. (A contract for the repavement of Route 24 required by this provision shall be awarded within six months of the effective date of this act, and such project shall be completed within 12 months of the effective date of this act.)"

The language within double parenthesis is deleted.

“From funds authorized by the Legislature to be appropriated from the revenues and other funds of the New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund Authority for the fiscal year 1999 transportation capital construction program, the Commissioner of Transportation shall allocate and transfer from a part of all or any item or items such sums as are necessary to fund the following items: construction of an additional entrance ramp on the Atlantic City Expressway on Route 689 and to mill and repave the intersection of Routes 654, 322, 610 and 536 in Monroe Township, Gloucester County.”

The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.

“Total Appropriation, Capital Construction………………….. $622,120,000.”
This item is reduced to $615,620,000.

“Total Appropriation, General Fund………………………… $11,376,399,000.”
This item is reduced to $11,312,660,000.

"CASINO REVENUE FUND -- GRANTS-IN-AID"

"DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES"

“Notwithstanding the provisions of N.J.A.C.8:82-6.2 to the contrary, to the extent that funding is available, the calendar year cost limitation for receipt of respite care services for each eligible person for services paid from the amount appropriated hereinabove shall be adjusted up to $3,300.”

The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.

“Total Appropriation, All State Funds ………………….. $18,187,508,000.”
This item is reduced to $18,123,769,000.

“Total Appropriation, All Funds ……………………… $24,710,675,000.”
This item is reduced to $24,646,936,000.

"GENERAL PROVISIONS"

“State agencies shall prepare and submit a copy of their agency or departmental budget requests for fiscal year 2000 by October 1, 1998 to the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting (and the Legislative Budget and Finance Officer) and a copy of their spending plans involving all State, federal and other non-State funds to the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting and the Legislative Budget and Finance Officer by November 1, 1998, and updated spending plans on February 1, and May 1, 1999. The spending plans shall account for any changes in departmental spending which differ from this appropriation act and all supplements to this act. The spending plans shall be submitted on forms specified by the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.”

The language within double parenthesis is deleted.

“Roosevelt Pond Cleanup, Edgewater Park $20,000
Franklin Borough Dam Restoration and Pond Dredging $355,000
Paulinskill Lake Dam Restoration $250,000
Lion’s Head Lake Dredging, Wayne Township $95,000
Lake Carasaljo Restoration, Lakewood Township $150,000
Sea Bright Borough Sewer System Study and Rehabilitation (($1,800,000))”

The item within double parenthesis is reduced to $1,000,000.
“53. While the State Plan is an important guide for development in the State, no appropriations made in this act for distribution to a municipality or county shall be unreasonably withheld because of any action of any board or agency of the municipality or county that may be construed as in conflict with the State Development and Redevelopment Plan adopted under the “State Planning Act,” P.L. 1985, c.398 (C.52:18A-196 et al.).”
The quoted language is deleted in its entirety.
“DIRECT STATE SERVICES”

“DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE”

Page 24
The $300,000 increase in the appropriation for Future Farmers Youth Development is reduced to $150,000. An increase of $150,000 meets the needs of this program.

“DEPARTMENT OF BANKING AND INSURANCE”

Page 26
Language is deleted in order to provide additional flexibility in supporting costs associated with fraud prosecution services.

“DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT”

Page 28
Language that requires the Commissioner of Commerce and Economic Development to submit an annual report of the Office of Sustainability’s loan and grant activity is deleted. The Administration is prepared to cooperate with the Legislature in providing information on the Office of Sustainability’s loan and grant activity.

Page 29
Language that requires the submission of the enterprise zone fiscal impact study to the legislature before UEZ administrative funds can be released to the department is deleted. A study is nearly complete and will be submitted to the legislature for its review upon completion.

“DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS”

Page 36
The appropriation of $235,000 for farm equipment at Bayside State Prison is deleted since the facility is already adequately budgeted for equipment.

Page 37
Language prohibiting the expenditure of funds appropriated for Southern State Correctional Facility if the facility is converted to a minimum security facility is deleted. The Commissioner of Corrections is responsible for determining the classification of the Department’s institutions.

“DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION”

Page 45
The appropriation for Fire Fighting Costs is reduced by $1,000,000. An appropriation of $1,525,000, representing an increase of $500,000 over last year’s appropriation level, is anticipated to be sufficient to meet program requirements.

Page 45
The appropriations of $13,000 for a Brush Chipper at High Point State Park and $16,000 for a Forest Fire Attack Trailer are deleted. Funds for equipment needs are adequately provided in the Additions, Improvements and Equipment category for Parks Management. In addition, the Department of Transportation (DOT) owns 21 wood chippers, eight of which are in the northern New Jersey region. The Department of Environmental Protection and DOT may arrange to share this equipment.

Page 45
The additional appropriation of $2,000,000 for Park Staff is changed to $1,500,000. These additional funds will address existing needs.

Page 45
The appropriation of $5,000,000 for Site Restoration and Maintenance is reduced by $4,500,000. An appropriation of an additional $500,000 will be sufficient to address the existing deferred maintenance needs of the Parks system.
Language that stipulates that the balance of funds in the Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Facility Fund be returned to the generators of low-level radioactive waste is eliminated. Although the Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Facility Siting Board has suspended the siting process, the need to adequately dispose of this waste still exists. Proposals to secure future disposal space at authorized out-of-state facilities with these funds are being explored. The mandate to return these funds at this time is premature.

"DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES"

Page 57 The Commissioners of the Departments of Human Services and Health and Senior Services will enter into a memorandum of understanding and identify which department can best handle the Traumatic Brain Injury program.

57 Language establishing a Charity Care Advisory Group is eliminated. The language is not necessary since the legislature recently passed legislation which identifies a permanent source of funding for Charity Care. Existing statutes and regulations on the distribution of Charity Care and Hospital Relief funding are fair and equitable.

"DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES"

Page 60 The Commissioners of the Departments of Human Services and Health and Senior Services will enter into a memorandum of understanding and identify which department can best handle the Traumatic Brain Injury program.

68 Language restricting the executive branch from implementing privatization initiatives is deleted. The Executive Branch will review privatization initiatives and, where cost effective, will consider the implementation of such initiatives.

"DEPARTMENT OF LABOR"

Page 72 Language requiring the Commissioner of Labor to provide a report to the Joint Budget Oversight Committee detailing Customized Training grants is deleted. In addition, the summary reporting requirement of each grant agreement is deleted. The Administration is prepared to cooperate with the Legislature in providing the necessary information concerning the allocation of the additional $10,000,000 in Customized Training grants from the Workforce Development Fund.

"DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL"

Page 85 Language incorporating the issue of pay equity into the Classification and Compensation study is eliminated. A study that reviews compensation packages for state employees is currently being undertaken and will address all appropriate issues.

"DEPARTMENT OF STATE"

Page 86 The appropriation of $400,000 for Renovation Design at the State Library is deleted. Projects of this magnitude should not be amortized over the useful life of the facility.

87 The appropriation of $250,000 for relocating State Archive documents is deleted. Funds for this relocation are not planned for expenditure next year and funding for this activity should be requested through the Capital Planning process in Fiscal Year 2000.

"DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION"

Page 89 The appropriation increase of $886,000 to provide a cost of living raise for private motor vehicle agency staff is deleted. Language providing a 5% COLA increase to Motor Vehicle Agencies is also deleted. Motor Vehicle Agencies are compensated by a contract structured to improve productivity. Accordingly, it is premature to increase spending for the Motor Vehicle Agencies before savings alternatives are fully explored.
Language specifying the number of traffic locations (10) that the Department must identify is deleted. The Administration is already conducting a study of these locations.

Language restricting the executive branch from implementing privatization initiatives is deleted. The Executive Branch will review privatization initiatives, and where cost effective, will consider the implementation of such initiatives.

“INTERDEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNTS”

Page 102 Language that allows for the additional appropriation of up to $1,000,000 for costs attributable to the implementation of the Facilities Master Plan has been modified to eliminate the dollar reference. Due to uncertainty regarding implementation requirements of the Facilities Master Plan, the dollar reference should be deleted.

Page 104 Language that requires the Sports and Exposition Authority to submit detailed reports and spending plans to the Legislature is deleted. The requirement for spending plan submittal to the Legislature already exists in the General Provisions. The Executive Branch will cooperate with the Legislature by reporting expenditures of the Sports and Exposition Authority consistent with the submission of periodic Departmental spending plans.

Page 104 The $1,500,000 appropriation for the Division of Fish and Game fringe benefits is deleted. The Hunters’ and Anglers’ Fund is a self-supporting dedicated fund that derives its revenue from hunting and fishing licenses. Expenses for salaries and associated fringe benefits must be paid from the non-state revenues received by this fund. Any additional costs incurred by the Fund should be funded through fee changes enacted in statute similar to legislation sponsored by Senator Littell and supported by hunting and fishing groups.

Page 106 Language permitting the appropriation of additional funding for Data Processing is changed to provide more flexibility.

Page 106 Language restricting the executive branch from implementing privatization initiatives is deleted. The Executive Branch will review privatization initiatives and, where cost effective, will consider the implementation of such initiatives.

“THE JUDICIARY”

Page 107 Funding for 50 new probation officer positions for a half-year (effective January 1, 1999) was included in the FY1999 budget as part of the proposed consolidation of child support services. Since this legislation has not yet been adopted, funding for these positions is not needed at this time.

Page 108 Language which would limit the Chief Justice’s determination as to how the retention of Court Reporters should be funded is eliminated. As a separate branch of government, the Judiciary should make this decision.

“GRANTS-IN-AID”

“DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT”

Page 109 The appropriation of $500,000 for two International Market Development Centers, at NJIT and at Rowan University, is eliminated. These types of requests will be considered by the new Commerce Commission.

“DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS”

Page 111 Language which appropriates up to $1,700,000 annually to reimburse the New Jersey Redevelopment Authority for debt service costs for the John J. Heldrich Center for workforce development at Rutgers University is modified. There is insufficient information at this time on the configuration of this project to make specific commitments. The funds provided will help establish this program without committing the State to a long-term obligation until more information is available.

Page 112 The $500,000 appropriation for the Highlands Borough - Fire House is reduced to $250,000. Based on information provided to the Administration, $250,000 is sufficient for this project at this time.
The $536,000 appropriation for various Atlantic Highlands Public Works Projects is eliminated. The Municipality should seek assistance through available funds from the Department of Transportation.

The $9,000 appropriation for Carlstadt Borough -- Park Improvements to construct a gazebo is eliminated.

The $100,000 appropriation for the First Occupational Center of New Jersey -- Headquarters Building Restoration is eliminated. This funding is for an administration building; the elimination of the appropriation will not result in a reduction of services.

The $45,000 appropriation for the Urban Agriculture and Community Gardens Program for Trenton and Camden is eliminated. The Budget currently recommends funding for gardening programs in these two cities.

The $5,000 appropriation for the Save the Children Coalition and Amani Church, Trenton is eliminated. Funds for programs like this are available from existing grant appropriations.

The $1,500,000 appropriation for the Morris County Fire and Police Academy Life Safety Complex is eliminated since it duplicates a bill now on the Governor’s desk which is currently under consideration.

The $25,000 appropriation for Clean Ocean Action in Monmouth County is eliminated. This organization has fund raising capability that can fund this need.

The appropriation of $1,000,000 for the Fire House, Glen Gardner is reduced to $300,000. Based on information provided to the Administration, $300,000 appears to be sufficient for this project at this time.

The appropriation of $420,000 for the Wyckoff Township Downtown Streetscape Beautification Project is reduced to $250,000.

The appropriation of $500,000 for the Wantage Library is reduced to $100,000. Based on information provided to the Administration, $100,000 is sufficient for this project at this time.

“DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS”

Language related to the payment of county assistance contractual agreements has been modified to allow for flexibility.

“DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES”

This $92,000 appropriation for the Health Wellness Promotion Act Monitoring, UMDNJ is eliminated. UMDNJ should have sufficient funds within its base budget to support this initiative.

This $5 million appropriation for the Coriell Institute for Medical Research-New Jersey Cord Blood Resource Center is eliminated since it duplicates bill A-1957 now on the Governor’s desk, which is currently under consideration.

This $300,000 appropriation for the Meridian Health System -- Pediatric Asthma Education and Resource Center is reduced to $150,000. A program consolidated at one location rather than three should be able to be funded at this level.

The Charity Care Hospital Payments appropriation is reduced by $20,000,000 related to the New Jersey KidCare program. There are sufficient balances in the Health Care Subsidy Fund to fully fund the program for FY 1999. While proceeding aggressively toward enrollment goals, original anticipated funding was in excess of need.

The $1,000,000 appropriation for Southern New Jersey Emergency Medicine Center is retained for southern New Jersey programs, but references to a specific provider have been eliminated.

The $1,000,000 appropriation for the Pediatric Trauma Program is retained or southern New Jersey programs, but references to a specific provider have been eliminated.

The $1,000,000 appropriation for the Family Medicine/Preventive Medicine programs is retained for southern New Jersey programs, but references to a specific provider have been eliminated.
124 The $1,100,000 appropriation for the Northwest Covenant Health System is eliminated as it is outside of the formulas for charity care and hospital relief. Due to pending litigation, an appropriation would be inappropriate at this time.

126 Language limiting executive branch regulatory operations relative to Nursing Homes is deleted. The language impedes the ability of the executive branch to effectively manage and regulate nursing home costs.

"DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES"

137 The language providing $3.2 million for direct care staff working at non-profit community providers under contract with the Division of Mental Health and Developmentally Disabled has been modified to provide funds for all contracted direct care workers funded by the Human Services department.

"DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY"

138 Language appropriating funds to counties to operate new or existing juvenile boot camps is eliminated. County correctional programs fall under the jurisdiction of county government, which should provide funding for such programs.

"DEPARTMENT OF STATE"

140 The appropriation of $2,400,000 for the New Jersey Historical Society Relocation is reduced to $1,200,000 to better reflect a reasonable share of the requested funds for fiscal 1999.

145 The appropriation $250,000 of for the New Jersey Gateway Institute for Regional Development program at Kean University is reduced to $125,000.

146 Language appropriating $300,000 for an on-campus museum at Montclair State University is deleted. This is not part of the long term funding commitment for higher education, and this program was not included as part of the institution’s budget request for FY 1999.

"DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY"

149 The appropriation of $22,245,000 for Aid to Independent Colleges and Universities is reduced by $1,000,000. This will provide a 4.9% increase compared to last year to this higher education sector.

"STATE AID"

"DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS"

151 The appropriation of $43,000,000 for the Legislative Initiative Municipal Block Grant Program is reduced by $10,000,000. Money saved from this reduction will be used for recommendations made by the Governor’s Property Tax Study Commission for the purpose of providing property tax relief. The report of the Commission should be reviewed before the expansion of existing state aid programs is undertaken.

"DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION"

154 The appropriation of $1,900,000 for Wildwood School District -- Education Impact Aid is reduced by $950,000. The remaining $950,000 is in addition to the $120,000 increase provided under CEIFA for school year 1998-99 over the district’s aid for the current year.

154 The appropriation of $1,300,000 for the High Bridge Middle School Asbestos Abatement Program is reduced to $500,000. Additional funds, as required, should be provided through the district’s capital outlay budget.
154 The appropriation of $1,600,000 for the New Brunswick Health Sciences and Technology High School is reduced to $500,000. The district is already scheduled to receive an increase of $896,656 in CEIFA assistance for school year 1998-99. To the extent that additional funds are required for the Health Sciences and Technology High School, they should be allocated from the district’s operating budget.

155 Language that prohibits the Commissioner of Education from auditing grants under $25,000 awarded by the Department of Education is eliminated. This provision would preclude the Commissioner’s discretion in determining that certain grants awarded by the Department of Education were being expended in a manner consistent with the intent of the grant award.

155 Language which changes the method of reimbursement for education programs in county detention centers from the enrollment as of October 15 of the pre-budget year to a per diem basis is eliminated. This language targeted the Sussex County Detention Center and would create uncertainty for both the Department of Education and the Sussex County Detention Center as to the appropriate funding level required for these programs.

“DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION”

Page 158 Language designating a portion of the Open Space - Local Match is eliminated. Flexibility is necessary to meet the goals of this program.

“DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES”

Page 159 The appropriation for Public Health Priority funding is reduced by $500,000; this will still provide a 14% increase over last year’s appropriation to this program.

159 Language which sets the capitation rate for Public Health Priority Funding is reduced from 50 cents to 40 cents to be consistent with the FY 1999 Appropriation.

“DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES”

Page 162 Language appropriating funds from the Work First Contingency Plan is deleted. The Work First NJ Contingency Fund was created to offset unanticipated caseload expenses and should not be used as an ongoing resource to offset spending cuts made to the Work First NJ program. This language has been modified to appropriately charge the General Fund to offset these reductions.

“DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY”

Page 162 A language provision that limited the flexibility of the Department to utilize funds from the Safe and Secure Communities Program is eliminated. All funding due to municipalities will be disbursed.

“DEPARTMENT OF STATE”

Page 162 The increase in appropriations for the Operation of the Newark Museum is $700,000. Approval of this additional allocation represents a 35 percent increase in State support for the Museum.

“CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION”

“DEPARTMENT OF STATE”

Page 170 The appropriation of $6,500,000 for Higher Education Supplementary Capital is deleted. The Higher Education institutions are working with the Administration to develop a comprehensive plan to meet capital construction needs.

170 Language allocating amounts from Higher Education Supplementary Capital amongst the senior institutions of higher education is deleted. Since the associated line item is vetoed there is no need for this language.
“DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION”

Page 177

Language requiring the Department to contract for the repavement of Route 24 within six months and to complete the project within 12 months of the effective date of the fiscal 1999 Appropriations Act is deleted. Currently the Department is conducting preliminary engineering work on this project. However, since major structural repairs to the roadway will have to be completed prior to resurfacing, the deadlines imposed by this language are not achievable.

Language providing funding for an additional entrance ramp on the Atlantic City Expressway is deleted as this funding could be provided by the South Jersey Transportation Authority.

“CASINO REVENUE FUND -- GRANTS-IN-AID”

“DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES”

Page 198

Language increasing the Respite Care Income Cap is eliminated. Eliminating this cap will allow additional recipients to be enrolled in this program and thereby reduce the waiting list for this program.

“GENERAL PROVISIONS”

Page 251

Language requiring that a copy of agency and department budget requests for fiscal year 2000 shall be submitted to the Legislative Budget and Finance Officer by October 1, 1998 is deleted. The basic law governing budget requests (52:27B-13) requires that these budget requests be submitted to the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting only. The budget requests that ultimately are submitted to the Legislature are the requests of the Governor, not each individual agency head. The basic law governing submission to the Legislature is 52:27B-20 and requires the submission of the Governor’s budget recommendations to the Legislature on or before the third Tuesday following the meeting of the Legislature each year. This interim period provides the Governor and her staff time to review the agency head requests and to make recommendations. The existing process has worked well for many years and should not be changed.

Language prohibiting the withholding of appropriations made for distribution to municipalities and counties due to conflict with the State Development and Redevelopment Plan is deleted.

Language which allows the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting to make appropriations for specific projects if they do not receive funding prior to April 1, 1999 from bond funds is modified. The specific appropriation for Sea Bright Borough Sewer System Study and Rehabilitation for $1,800,000 is reduced to $1,000,000. This project is potentially eligible for funds through the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust.

Respectfully,

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