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SYNOPSIS

Authorizes certain incinerator authorities to perform sanitation, public works, and environmental services.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Environment and Solid Waste Committee on June 14, 2012, with amendments.



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1 AN ACT expanding the permissible scope of operation of incinerator 2 authorities and amending P.L.1948, c.348. 3 4 BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State 5 of New Jersey: 6 7 1. Section 1 of P.L.1948, c.348 (C.40:66A-1) is amended to 8 read as follows: 9 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "incinerator 10 or environmental services authorities law." (cf: P.L.1948, c.348, s.1) 11 12 13 2. Section 2 of P.L.1948, c.348 (C.40:66A-2) is amended to 14 read as follows: 15 2. It is hereby declared to be in the public interest and to be the policy of the State to foster and promote by all reasonable means 16 17 the health and welfare of the citizens thereof by the proper 18 collection and disposal of garbage and other refuse matter, as well 19 as by the performance of various other sanitation, public works and 20 environmental services necessary to maintain a clean, healthy, and 21 safe environment for all citizens. 22 (cf: P.L.1948, c.348, s.2) 23 24 3. Section 3 of P.L.1948, c.348 (C.40:66A-3) is amended to 25 read as follows: 26 3. As used in this act, unless a different meaning clearly 27 appears from the context: 28 (1) "Municipality" shall mean any city of any class, any 29 borough, village, town, township, or any other municipality other 30 than a county or a school district; 31 (2) "Governing body" shall mean the commission, council, 32 board or body, by whatever name it may be known, having charge 33 of the finances of the municipality; 34 (3) "Person" shall mean any person, association, corporation, 35 nation, State or any agency or subdivision thereof, municipality of 36 the State or an incinerator authority; (4) "Incinerator authority" or "environmental services authority" 37 38 shall mean a public body created pursuant to section four of this act; 39 (5) Subject to the exceptions provided in the section four of this 40 act, "district" shall mean the area within the territorial boundaries of 41 the municipality or municipalities which created or joined in the 42 creation of an incinerator or environmental services authority;

Matter underlined <u>thus</u> is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

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

¹Assembly AEN committee amendments adopted June 14, 2012.

(6) "Local unit" shall mean any municipality which created or
 joined in the creation of an incinerator or environmental services
 authority;

4 (7) "Garbage disposal system" shall mean the plants, structures 5 and other real and personal property acquired, constructed or 6 operated or to be acquired constructed or operated by an incinerator 7 or environmental services authority, including incinerators or other 8 plants for the treatment and disposal of garbage and refuse matter 9 and all other real and personal and rights therein and appurtenances 10 necessary or useful and convenient for the collection, treatment or 11 disposal in a sanitary manner of garbage and refuse matter (but not 12 including sewage).

13 (8) "Cost" shall mean, in addition to the usual connotations 14 thereof, the cost of acquisition or construction of all or any part of a 15 garbage disposal system of all or any property, rights, easements and franchises deemed by the incinerator or environmental services 16 17 authority to be necessary or useful and convenient therefor, 18 including reimbursements to the incinerator or environmental 19 services authority or any municipality or other person of any 20 moneys theretofore expended for the purposes of the incinerator or 21 environmental services authority and including interest or discount 22 on bonds to finance such cost, engineering and inspection costs and 23 legal expenses, the cost of financial, professional and other advice, 24 and the cost of issuance of any such bonds;

(9) "Real property" shall mean lands both within and without
the State, and improvements thereof or thereon, or any rights or
interests therein;

(10) "Construct" and "construction" shall connote and include
acts of construction, reconstruction, replacement, extension,
improvement and betterment of a garbage disposal system;

(11) "Garbage or refuse matter" shall mean any refuse matter,
trash or garbage from residences, hotels, apartments or any other
public or private building but shall not include water-carried wastes,
industrial waste or the kinds of wastes usually collected, carried
away and disposed of by sewerage system.

36 (12) "Ordinance" means a written act of the governing body of a
37 municipality adopted and otherwise approved and published in the
38 manner or mode of procedure prescribed for ordinances tending to
39 obligate such municipality pecuniarily; [and]

40 (13) "Resolution" means a written act of the governing body of a
41 local unit adopted and otherwise approved in the manner or mode of
42 procedure prescribed for resolutions tending to obligate such local
43 unit pecuniarily; and

44 (<u>14</u>) "Environmental services" shall mean any and all services
45 relative to sanitation, recycling, park and other recreation area
46 maintenance, demolition, repair or maintenance of unsafe,
47 unsanitary, or unsound structures, automobile towing and impound,

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1 municipal vehicle maintenance and repair and services related 2 thereto, street and road safety services, snow removal, 3 environmental compliance and education, services necessary or 4 appropriate for neighborhood beautification or environmental 5 improvement, and any other service relative to maintaining a 6 sanitary, safe, and healthy environment within a municipality. 7 (cf: P.L.1948, c.348, s. 3) 8 9 4. Section 4 of P.L.1948, c.348 (C.40:66A-4) is amended to 10 read as follows: 4. (a) The governing body of any municipality may, by 11 12 ordinance duly adopted, create a public body corporate and politic under the name and style of "the incinerator authority" with all or 13 14 any significant part of the name of such municipality inserted. The 15 governing body of ¹[any] <u>a</u>¹ municipality ¹in which an incinerator authority has been established pursuant to P.L.1948, c.348 16 (C.40:66A-1 et seq.) prior to the effective date of P.L. , c. 17 18 (pending before the Legislature as this bill)¹ may, by ordinance 19 duly adopted, create ¹[a public body corporate and politic], 20 continue and reestablish the incinerator authority¹ under the name 21 and style of the "environmental services authority" with all or any 22 significant part of the name of the municipality inserted. An 23 incinerator or environmental services authority created pursuant to 24 this section by a municipality other than a city of the first class shall 25 consist of five members, and an incinerator or environmental 26 services authority created pursuant to this section by a municipality 27 which is a city of the first class shall consist of five or seven 28 members, as determined by the governing body. Members of the 29 incinerator or environmental services authority shall be appointed 30 by resolution of the governing body as hereinafter in this section 31 provided, and the authority shall constitute the incinerator or 32 environmental services authority contemplated and provided for in 33 this act and an agency and instrumentality of said municipality. 34 After the taking effect of such ordinance and the filing of a certified 35 copy thereof as in subsection (c) of this section provided, the 36 members of the incinerator or environmental services authority 37 shall be appointed. The members first appointed shall, by the 38 resolution of appointment, be designated to serve for terms 39 respectively expiring as follows: the terms of the first four members 40 shall expire in turn on each of the first days of the first, second, 41 third and fourth Februaries next ensuing after the date of their 42 appointment, and the remaining members shall be designated to 43 serve for terms expiring on the first day of the fifth February next 44 ensuing after the date of their appointment. On or after the first day 45 of January in each year after such first appointments, one person 46 shall be appointed or reappointed as a member of the incinerator or 47 environmental services authority to succeed each member whose

term is expiring, and shall serve for a term commencing on the first day of February in such year and expiring on the first day of February in the fifth year after such year. In the event of a vacancy in the membership of the incinerator <u>or environmental services</u> authority occurring during an unexpired term of office, a person shall be appointed as a member of the incinerator <u>or environmental</u> <u>services</u> authority to serve for such unexpired term.

8 The governing body of a municipality which is a city of the first 9 class may increase the membership of its incinerator or 10 <u>environmental services</u> authority to seven members from five 11 members. The two additional members shall be appointed to serve 12 five-year terms, commencing on the February 1 next following their 13 appointment and expiring on February 1 in the fifth year after their 14 appointment.

15 (b) The governing bodies of any two or more municipalities, 16 whether or not the areas of such municipalities comprise an integral 17 body of territory, may, by parallel ordinances duly adopted by each 18 of such governing bodies within any single calendar year, create a 19 public body corporate and politic under the name and style of "the 20 incinerator authority" with all or any significant part of the name of 21 each such municipality or some identifying geographical phrase 22 inserted. The governing bodies of any two or more municipalities 23 ¹who have established an incinerator authority pursuant to 24 P.L.1948, c.348 (C.40:66A-1 et seq.) prior to the effective date of 25 P.L., c. (pending before the Legislature as this bill)¹, whether 26 or not the areas of such municipalities comprise an integral body of 27 territory, may, by parallel ordinances duly adopted by each of such 28 governing bodies within any single calendar year, create ¹[a public] body corporate and politic , continue and reestablish the 29 incinerator authority¹ under the name and style of "the 30 environmental services authority" with all or any significant part of 31 32 the name of each such municipality or some identifying 33 geographical phrase inserted. Said body shall consist of the 34 members thereof, in an aggregate number determined as hereinafter 35 in this subsection provided, who shall be appointed by resolution of 36 the several governing bodies as hereinafter in this section provided, 37 and it shall constitute the incinerator or environmental services 38 authority contemplated and provided for in this act and an agency 39 and instrumentality of the said municipalities. The number of 40 members of the incinerator or environmental services authority to 41 be appointed at any time for full terms of office by the governing 42 body of any such municipality or municipalities, as the case may be, 43 shall be as may be stated in said ordinances which shall be not less 44 than one nor more than three. After the taking effect of the said 45 ordinances of all such municipalities and after the filing of certified 46 copies thereof as in subsection (c) of this section provided, the 47 appropriate number of persons shall be appointed as members of the

incinerator or environmental services authority by the governing 1 2 body of each municipality. The members first appointed or to be 3 first appointed shall serve for terms expiring on the first day of the 4 fifth February next ensuing after the date of the first appointment of 5 any member. On or after the first day of January in the year in 6 which expires the terms of the said members first appointed and in 7 every fifth year thereafter, the appropriate number of persons shall 8 be appointed as members of the incinerator or environmental 9 services authority by the governing body of each municipality, to 10 serve for terms commencing on the first day of February in such 11 year and expiring on the first day of February in the fifth year after 12 such year. In the event of a vacancy in the membership of the 13 incinerator or environmental services authority occurring during an 14 unexpired term of office, a person shall be appointed as a member 15 of the incinerator or environmental services authority to serve for 16 such unexpired term by the governing body which made the original 17 appointment for such unexpired term.

18 (c) A copy of each ordinance for the creation of an incinerator 19 or environmental services authority adopted pursuant to this 20 section, duly certified by the appropriate officer of the local unit, 21 shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of State. Upon proof of 22 such filing of a certified copy of the ordinance or of certified copies 23 of the parallel ordinances for the creation of an incinerator or 24 environmental services authority as aforesaid, the incinerator or 25 environmental services authority therein referred to shall, in any 26 suit, action or proceeding involving the validity or enforcement of, 27 or relating to, any contract or obligation or act of the incinerator or environmental services authority, be conclusively deemed to have 28 29 been lawfully and properly created and established and authorized 30 to transact business and exercise its powers under this act. A copy 31 of any such certified ordinance, duly certified by or on behalf of the 32 Secretary of State, shall be admissible in evidence in any suit, 33 action or proceeding.

34 (d) A copy of each resolution appointing any member of an 35 incinerator or environmental services authority adopted pursuant to 36 this section, duly certified by the appropriate officer of the local 37 unit, shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of State. A copy of 38 such certified resolution, duly certified by or on behalf of the 39 Secretary of State, shall be admissible in evidence in any suit, 40 action or proceeding and, except in a suit, action or proceeding 41 directly questioning such appointment, shall be conclusive evidence 42 of the due and proper appointment of the members named therein.

43 (e) ¹[No] <u>Except as otherwise provided in subsection (a) or</u>
44 <u>subsection (b) of this section with respect to the continuation and</u>
45 <u>reestablishment of an environmental services authority, no</u>¹
46 governing body which may create or join in the creation of any
47 incinerator <u>or environmental services</u> authority pursuant to this

section shall thereafter create or join in the creation of any other 1 2 incinerator or environmental services authority. No governing body 3 of any municipality within a district shall create or join in the 4 creation of any incinerator or environmental services authority 5 except upon the written consent of the incinerator or environmental services authority and in accordance with the terms and conditions 6 7 of such consent, and in the event such consent be given and an 8 incinerator or environmental services authority be created pursuant 9 thereto, the area within the territorial boundaries of such municipality shall not thereafter be part of the district. 10

11 (cf: P.L.1994, c.85, s.2)

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13 5. Section 5 of P.L.1948, c.348 (C.40:66A-5) is amended to 14 read as follows:

15 5. (a) The powers of an incinerator or environmental services 16 authority shall be vested in the members thereof in office from time 17 to time. A majority of the entire authorized membership of the 18 incinerator or environmental services authority shall constitute a 19 quorum at any meeting thereof. Action may be taken and motions 20 and resolutions adopted by the incinerator or environmental 21 services authority at any meeting of the members thereof by vote of 22 a majority of the members present, unless in any case the by-laws of 23 the incinerator or environmental services authority shall require a 24 large number. The incinerator or environmental services authority 25 may delegate to one or more of its officers, agents or employees 26 such powers and duties as it may deem proper.

(b) Each member of an incinerator <u>or environmental services</u>
authority shall hold office for the term for which he was appointed
and until his successor has been appointed and has qualified.

30 (c) No member, officer or employee of an incinerator or 31 environmental services authority shall have or acquire any interest, 32 direct or indirect, in the garbage disposal system in any property 33 included or planned to be included in the garbage disposal system or in any contract or proposed contract for materials or services to 34 35 be furnished to or used by the incinerator or environmental services 36 authority, but neither the holding of any officer or employment in 37 the government of any municipality or under any law of the State 38 nor the owning of any property within the State shall be deemed a 39 disqualification for membership in or employment by an incinerator 40 or environmental services authority. A member of an incinerator or 41 environmental services authority may be removed only by the 42 governing body by which he was appointed and only for 43 inefficiency or neglect of duty or misconduct in office and after he 44 shall have been given a copy of the charges against him and, not 45 sooner than ten days thereafter, had opportunity in person or by 46 counsel to be heard thereon by such governing body.

(d) An incinerator or environmental services authority may 1 2 reimburse its members for necessary expenses incurred in the 3 discharge of their duties. The ordinance or parallel ordinances for 4 the creation of an incinerator or environmental services authority 5 may provide that the members of the incinerator or environmental 6 services authority may receive compensation for their services 7 within an annual and other limitations to be stated in such ordinance 8 or parallel ordinances, and in that event, each member may receive 9 from the incinerator or environmental services authority such 10 compensation for his services as the incinerator or environmental 11 services authority may determine within the limitations stated in 12 such ordinance or parallel ordinances. No member of any 13 incinerator or environmental services authority shall receive any 14 compensation for his services except as provided in this subsection. 15 (e) Every incinerator or environmental services authority, upon 16 the first appointment of its members and thereafter on or after the 17 first day of February in each year, shall annually elect from among 18 its members a chairman and a vice-chairman who shall hold office, 19 until the first day of February next ensuing and until their respective 20 successors have been appointed and have qualified. Every 21 incinerator or environmental services authority may also appoint

and employ a secretary and such professional and technical advisers
and experts and such other officers, agents and employees as it may
require, and it shall determine their qualifications, duties and
compensation.

26 (cf: P.L.1948, c.348, s.5)

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28 6. Section 6 of P.L.1948, c.348 (C.40:66A-6) is amended to 29 read as follows:

30 6. Every incinerator or environmental services authority is 31 hereby authorized and directed, subject to the limitations of this act, 32 to acquire, in its own name but for the local unit or units, by 33 purchase, gift, condemnation or otherwise, and, notwithstanding the 34 provisions of any charter, ordinance or resolution of any county or 35 municipality to the contrary, to construct, maintain, operate and use 36 such incinerators, treatment plants or works at such places, and such 37 other plants, structures, property and conveyances, as in the 38 judgment of the incinerator or environmental services authority will 39 provide an effective and satisfactory method for promoting the 40 purposes of the incinerator or environmental services authority.

41 (cf: P.L.1948, c.348, s.6)

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43 7. Section 7 of P.L.1948, c.348 (C.40:66A-7) is amended to 44 read as follows:

45 7. Every incinerator <u>or environmental services</u> authority shall
46 be a public body politic and corporate constituting a political
47 subdivision of the State established as an instrumentality exercising

public and essential governmental functions to provide for the
 public health and welfare and shall have perpetual succession and
 have the following powers:

4 (1) To adopt and have a common seal and to alter the same at 5 pleasure;

6 (2) To sue and to be sued;

7 (3) In the name of the incinerator <u>or environmental services</u>
8 authority and on its behalf, to acquire, hold, use and dispose of its
9 service charges and other revenues and other moneys;

(4) In the name of the incinerator <u>or environmental services</u>
authority but for the local unit or unit, to acquire, hold, use and
dispose of other personal property for the purposes of the
incinerator <u>or environmental services</u> authority;

14 (5) In the name of the incinerator or environmental services 15 authority but for the local unit or units, to acquire by purchase, gift, condemnation or otherwise, real property and easements therein, 16 17 necessary or useful and convenient for the purposes of the 18 incinerator or environmental services authority, and subject to 19 mortgages, deeds of trust or other liens, or otherwise, and to hold 20 and to use the same, and to dispose of property so acquired no longer necessary for the purposes of the incinerator or 21 22 environmental services authority;

(6) To provide for and secure the payment of any bonds and the
rights of the holders thereof, and to purchase, hold and dispose of
any bonds;

(7) To accept gifts or grants of real or personal property, money,
material, labor or supplies for the purpose of the incinerator or
<u>environmental services</u> authority, and to make and perform such
agreements and contracts as may be necessary or convenient in
connection with the procuring, acceptance or disposition of such
gifts or grants;

32 (8) To enter on any lands or premises for the purposes of the
 33 incinerator <u>or environmental services</u> authority;

(9) To make and enforce bylaws or rules and regulations for the
management and regulation of its business and affairs and for the
use, maintenance and operation of the garbage disposal system and
any other of its properties, and to amend the same;

(10) To do and perform any acts and things authorized by this act
under, through or by means of its own officers, agents and
employees, or by contracts with any persons; and

(11) To enter into any and all contracts, execute any and all
instruments, and do and perform any and all acts or things
necessary, convenient or desirable for the purpose of the incinerator
or environmental services authority or to carry out any power
expressly given in this act subject to P.L.1971, c. 198 "Local Public
Contracts Law" (C. 40A:11-1 et seq.).

47 (cf: P.L.1975, c.96, s.11)

8. Section 1 of P.L.1952, c.304 (C.40:66A-7.1) is amended to 1 2 read as follows: 3 1. It shall be the duty of every "incinerator or environmental 4 services authority," created pursuant to the act to which this act is a 5 supplement, to cause an annual audit of the accounts of the authority to be made and filed with the authority, and for this 6 7 purpose the authority shall employ a registered municipal 8 accountant of New Jersey or a certified public accountant of New Jersey. The audit shall be completed and filed with the authority 9 within four months after the close of the fiscal year of the authority 10 11 and a certified duplicate copy thereof shall be filed with the 12 Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of [the Treasury] Community Affairs within five days 13 14 after the original report is filed with the authority. 15 (cf: P.L.1952, c.304, s.1) 16 17 9. Section 2 of P.L.1952, c.304 (C.40:66A-7.2) is amended to 18 read as follows: 19 2. Every such "incinerator or environmental services authority" 20 shall file a certified copy of every bond resolution as finally passed 21 with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in 22 the Department of [the Treasury] Community Affairs and in 23 addition shall file a certified copy of all bond proceedings with the 24 said director. 25 (cf: P.L.1952, c.304, s.2) 26 27 10. Section 8 of P.L.1948, c.348 (C.40:66A-8) is amended to 28 read as follows: 29 8. (a) Every incinerator or environmental services authority is 30 hereby authorized to charge and collect rents, rates, fees or other 31 charges (in this act sometimes referred to as "service charges") for 32 the services and facilities of the garbage disposal system. 33 (b) Such rents, rates, fees and charges, being in the nature of use 34 or service charges, shall as nearly as the incinerator or 35 environmental services authority shall deem practicable and 36 equitable be uniform throughout the district for the same type, class 37 and amount of use or service of the garbage disposal system. 38 (c) The incinerator or environmental services authority shall 39 prescribe and from time to time when necessary revise the schedule of such service charges, which in any event shall be such that the 40 revenues of the incinerator or environmental services authority will 41 42 at all times be adequate to pay all expenses of operation and 43 maintenance of the garbage disposal system, including reserves, 44 insurance, extensions, and replacements, and to pay punctually the 45 principal of and interest on any bonds and to maintain such reserves 46 or sinking funds therefor as may be required by the terms of any 47 contract of the incinerator or environmental services authority. Said

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schedule shall thus be prescribed and from time to time revised by 1 2 the incinerator or environmental services authority after public 3 hearing thereon which shall be held by the incinerator or 4 environmental services authority at least 7 days after publication of 5 notice of the proposed adjustment of the service charges and of the 6 time and place of the public hearing in at least two newspapers of 7 general circulation in the area serviced by the authority. The 8 incinerator or environmental services authority shall provide 9 evidence at the hearing showing that the proposed adjustment of the service charges is necessary and reasonable, and shall provide the 10 11 opportunity for cross-examination of persons offering such 12 evidence, and a transcript of the hearing shall be made and a copy 13 thereof shall be available upon request to any interested party at a 14 reasonable fee. The incinerator or environmental services authority 15 shall likewise fix and determine the time or times when and the 16 place or places where such service charges shall be due and payable 17 and may require that such service charges shall be paid in advance 18 for periods of not more than 1 year. A copy of such schedule of 19 service charges in effect shall at all times be kept on file at the 20 principal office of the incinerator or environmental services 21 authority and shall at all reasonable times be open to public 22 inspection. 23 (cf: P.L.1981, c.511, s.19) 24 11. Section ¹[11] <u>9</u>¹ of P.L.1948, c.348 (C.40:66A-9) is 25 amended to read as follows: 26 27 9. Any local unit shall have power, in the discretion of its 28 governing body, to appropriate moneys for the purposes of the 29 incinerator or environmental services authority, and to loan or 30 donate such moneys to the incinerator or environmental services 31 authority in such installments and upon such terms as may be 32 agreed upon between such local unit and the incinerator or 33 environmental services authority. 34 (cf: P.L.1948, c.348, s.9) 35 36 12. Section 10 of P.L.1948, c.348 (C.40:66A-10) is amended to 37 read as follows: 38 10. Revenue bonds may be authorized to be issued under this act 39 to provide funds to pay the cost of all or any part of the [garbage disposal] ¹[incinerator or environmental services] garbage 40 41 <u>disposal</u>¹ system, or for the refunding of any bonds theretofore 42 issued for such purposes. The purposes for which such revenue 43 bonds may be issued shall include the payment to the local unit or 44 local units of the reasonable value of any properties or facilities 45 deemed necessary or desirable for the purposes of the incinerator or 46 environmental services authority, and such incinerator or

47 <u>environmental services</u> authorities are hereby authorized to

purchase and acquire such properties or facilities from such local
 unit or local units.

3 Such revenue bonds shall be authorized by resolution of the 4 incinerator or environmental services authority which may be 5 adopted at the same meeting at which it is introduced by a majority of all the members thereof then in office, shall take effect 6 7 immediately and need not be published or posted. Such revenue 8 bonds may bear interest at such rate or rates, not exceeding 6% per 9 annum, may be in [1] one or more series, may bear such date or 10 dates, may mature at such time or times not exceeding 30 years from their respective dates, may be payable in such medium of 11 12 payment at such place or places, may carry such registration 13 privileges, may be subject to such terms of redemption with or 14 without premium, may be executed in such manner, may contain 15 such terms, covenants and conditions, and may be in such form, 16 either coupon or registered, as such resolution or subsequent 17 resolution may provide. Such revenue bonds may be sold, all at one 18 time or in blocks from time to time, at public or private sale, or if 19 refunding bonds may also be delivered in exchange for the 20 outstanding obligations to be refunded thereby, in such manner as 21 the incinerator or environmental services authority shall determine 22 by resolution, and at such price or prices, computed according to 23 standard tables of bond values, as will yield to the purchasers or the 24 holders of the obligations surrendered in exchange, income at a rate 25 not exceeding 6% per annum to the maturity dates of the several 26 bonds so sold or exchanged on the money paid or the principal 27 amount of obligations surrendered therefor to the incinerator or 28 environmental services authority.

29 (cf: P.L.1954, c.185, s.2)

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31 13. Section 11 of P.L.1948, c.348 (C.40:66A-11) is amended to 32 read as follows:

33 11. After sale of any revenue bonds pursuant to this act, the incinerator or environmental services authority shall have power to 34 35 authorize the execution and issuance to the purchasers, pending the 36 preparation of the definitive bonds, of interim certificates therefor 37 or of temporary bonds or other temporary instruments exchangeable 38 for the definitive bonds when prepared, executed and ready for 39 delivery. The holders of such interim certificates, temporary bonds 40 or other temporary instruments shall have all the rights and 41 remedies which they would have as holders of the definitive bonds. 42 (cf: P.L.1948, c.348, s.11)

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44 14. Section 12 of P.L.1948, c.348 (C.40:66A-12) is amended to 45 read as follows:

46 12. Any incinerator <u>or environmental services</u> authority may
47 cause to be published in a newspaper published in the district a

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notice stating the date of adoption of such bond resolution, the 1 2 amount and maturities of the bonds authorized to be issued, and 3 also stating that any action or proceeding of any kind or nature in 4 any court questioning the validity of the creation and establishment 5 of the incinerator or environmental services authority, or the 6 validity or proper authorization of bonds provided for by the bond 7 resolution, or the validity of any covenants, agreements or contracts 8 provided for by the bond resolution shall be commenced within 9 twenty days after the first publication of such notice. If no such 10 action or proceeding shall be commenced or instituted within 11 twenty days after the first publication of such notice, then all 12 residents and taxpayers and owners of property in the district and users of the [garbage disposal] ¹[incinerator or environmental 13 services garbage disposal¹ system and all other persons 14 15 whatsoever shall be forever barred and foreclosed from instituting or commencing any action or proceeding in any court, or from 16 17 pleading any defense to any action or proceeding, questioning the 18 validity of the creation and establishment of the incinerator or 19 environmental services authority, the validity or proper 20 authorization of such bonds, or the validity of any such covenants, 21 agreements or contracts, and said bonds, covenants, agreements and 22 contracts shall be conclusively deemed to be valid and binding 23 obligations in accordance with their terms and tenor. 24 (cf: P.L.1948, c.348, s.12) 25 26 15. Section 14 of P.L.1948, c.348 (C.40:66A-14) is amended to 27 read as follows: 28 14. Any bond resolution of an incinerator or environmental 29 services authority providing for or authorizing the issuance of any 30 bonds may contain provisions, and such incinerator or 31 environmental services authority, in order to secure the payment of 32 such bonds and in addition to its other powers, shall have power by 33 provision in the bond resolution to covenant and agree with the 34 several holders of such bonds, as to: 35 (1) The custody, security, use, expenditure or application of the proceeds of the bonds; 36 37 (2) The construction and completion, or replacement, of all or 38 any part of the garbage disposal system;

39 (3) The use, regulation, operation, maintenance, insurance or
40 disposition of all or any part of the garbage disposal system, or
41 restrictions on the exercise of the powers of the incinerator or
42 <u>environmental services</u> authority to dispose, or to limit or regulate
43 the use, of all or any part of the garbage disposal system;

(4) Payment of the principal of or interest on the bonds, or any
other obligations, and the sources and methods thereof, the rank or
priority of any such bonds as obligations as to any lien or security,
or the acceleration of the maturity of any such bonds or obligations.

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(5) The use and disposition of any moneys of the incinerator or
 <u>environmental services</u> authority, including revenues (in this act
 sometimes called "system revenues") derived or to be derived from
 the operation of all or any part of the garbage disposal system,
 including any parts thereof theretofore constructed or acquired;

6 (6) Pledging, setting aside, depositing or trusteeing all or any 7 part of the system revenues or other moneys of the incinerator or 8 <u>environmental services</u> authority to secure the payment of the 9 principal of or interest on the bonds or any other obligations, or the 10 payment of expenses of operation or maintenance of the garbage 11 disposal system, and the powers and duties of any trustee with 12 regard thereto;

(7) The setting aside out of the system revenues or other moneys
of the incinerator <u>or environmental services</u> authority of reserves
and sinking funds, and the source, custody, security, regulation,
application and disposition thereof;

17 (8) Determination or definition of the system revenues or of the
18 expenses of operation and maintenance of the garbage disposal
19 system;

20 (9) The rents, rates, fees, or other charges for the use of the 21 services and facilities of the garbage disposal system, including any 22 parts thereof theretofore constructed or acquired and any parts, 23 extension, replacements or improvements thereof thereafter 24 constructed or acquired, and the fixing, establishment, collection 25 and enforcement of the same, the amount or amounts of system 26 revenues to be produced thereby, and the disposition and 27 application of the amounts charged or collected;

(10) The assumption or payment or discharge of any
indebtedness, liens or other claims relating to any part of the
garbage disposal system or any obligations having or which may
have a lien on any part of the system revenue;

32 (11) Limitations on the issuance of additional bonds or any
33 other obligations or on the incurrence of indebtedness of the
34 incinerator <u>or environmental services</u> authority;

(12) Limitations on the powers of the incinerator or
environmental services authority to construct, acquire or operate, or
permit the construction, acquisition, or operation of, any plants,
structures, facilities or properties which may compete or tend to
compete with the garbage disposal system;

40 (13) Vesting in a trustee or trustees such property, rights, 41 powers and duties in trust as the incinerator or environmental 42 services authority may determine which may include any or all of 43 the rights, powers and duties of the trustee appointed by the holders 44 of bonds pursuant to section seventeen of this act, and limiting or 45 abrogating the right of such holders to appoint a trustee pursuant to 46 section fifteen of this act or limiting the rights, duties and powers of 47 such trustee;

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(14) Payment of costs or expenses incident to the enforcement 1 2 of the bonds or of the provision of the bond resolution or of any 3 covenant or contract with the holders of bonds; 4 (15) The procedure, if any, by which the terms of any covenant 5 or contract with, or duty to, the holders of bonds may be amended or abrogated, the amount of bonds the holders of which must 6 7 consent thereto, and the manner in which such consent may be 8 given or evidenced; or (16) Any other matter or course of conduct which by recital in 9 the bond resolution, is declared to further secure the payment of the 10 principal of or interest on the bonds. 11 12 All such provisions of the bond resolution and all such covenants 13 and agreements shall constitute valid and legally binding contracts 14 between the incinerator or environmental services authority and the 15 several holders of the bonds, regardless of the time of issuance of such bonds, and shall be enforceable by any such holder or holders 16 17 by appropriate action or proceeding in any court of competent 18 jurisdiction. 19 (cf: P.L.1953, c.37, s.232) 20 21 16. Section 15 of P.L.1948, c.348 (C.40:66A-15) is amended to 22 read as follows: 23 15. In the event that there shall be a default in the payment of 24 principal of or interest on any bonds after the same shall become 25 due, whether at maturity or upon call for redemption, and such 26 default shall continue for a period of thirty days, or in the event that 27 the incinerator or environmental services authority shall fail or refuse to comply with the provisions of this act or shall fail or 28 29 refuse to carry out and perform the terms of any contract with the 30 holders of any of such bonds, and such failure or refusal shall 31 continue for a period of thirty days after written notice to the incinerator ¹or environmental services¹ authority of its existence 32 and nature, the holders of twenty-five per centum (25%) in 33 34 aggregate principal amount of the bonds of such series then 35 outstanding, by instruments or instrument filed in the office of the 36 Secretary of State and proved and acknowledged in the same 37 manner as a deed to be recorded, may appoint a trustee to represent 38 the holders of the bonds of such series for the purposes in this 39 section, and to have the powers provided in this section. 40 (a) Such trustee may and upon written request of the holders of 41 twenty-five per centum (25%) in aggregate principal amount of the 42 bonds of such series then outstanding shall, in his or its own name: 43 (1) By an action or proceeding in a court of competent 44 jurisdiction, enforce all rights of the holders of such bonds, 45 including the right to require the incinerator or environmental services authority to charge and collect service charges adequate to 46 47 carry out any contract as to, or pledge of, system revenues, and to

require the incinerator <u>or environmental services</u> authority to carry
 out and perform the terms of any contract with the holders of such
 bonds or its duties under this act;
 (2) Bring an action upon all or any part of such bonds or interest
 coupons or claims appurtenant thereto;

6 (3) By an action require the incinerator or environmental
7 services authority to account as if it were the trustee of an express
8 trust for the holders of such bonds;

9 (4) By an action enjoin any acts or things which may be 10 unlawful or in violation of the rights of the holders of such bonds; 11 or

(5) Declare all such bonds due and payable, whether or not in advance of maturity, upon thirty days' prior notice in writing to the incinerator <u>or environmental services</u> authority and, if all defaults shall be made good, then with the consent of the holders of twentyfive per centum (25%) of the principal amount of such bonds then outstanding, annul such declaration and its consequences.

(b) Such trustee shall, in addition to the foregoing, have and
possess all of the powers necessary or appropriate for the exercise
of the functions specifically set forth herein or incident to the
general representation of the holders of bonds of such series in the
enforcement and protection of their rights.

(c) In any action or proceeding by such trustee, the fees, counsel
fees and expenses of the trustee and of the receiver, if any,
appointed pursuant to this act, may be allowed by the court as
taxable costs and disbursements or otherwise, when so allowed,
shall be a first charge upon any service charges and system
revenues of the incinerator or environmental services authority
pledged for the payment or security of bonds of such series.

30 (d) Such trustee, upon such default referred to in this section, 31 whether or not all of the bonds of such series shall have been 32 declared due and payable, shall be entitled as of right to the 33 appointment of a receiver of the garbage disposal system, and such 34 receiver may enter upon and take possession of all moneys and other property derived from or applicable to the acquisition, 35 36 construction, operation, maintenance or reconstruction of the 37 garbage disposal system and proceed with such acquisition, construction, operation, maintenance or reconstruction which the 38 incinerator ¹or environmental services¹ authority is under any 39 40 obligation to do, and operate, maintain and reconstruct the garbage 41 disposal system and fix, charge, collect, enforce and receive the 42 service charges and all system revenues thereafter arising subject to 43 any pledge thereof or contract with the holders of such bonds 44 relating thereto and perform the public duties and carry out the 45 contracts and obligations of the incinerator or environmental 46 <u>services</u> authority in the same manner as incinerator 1 or

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environmental services¹ authority itself might do and under the 1 2 direction of the court. 3 (cf: P.L.1953, c.37, s.233) 4 5 17. Section 16 of P.L.1948, c.348 (C.40:66A-16) is amended to 6 read as follows: 7 16. Neither the members of the incinerator or environmental 8 services authority nor any person executing bonds issued pursuant 9 to this act shall be liable personally on the bonds by reason of the 10 issuance pursuant to this act shall not be in any way a debt or 11 liability of the State, and bonds or other obligations issued by an 12 incinerator or environmental services authority pursuant to this act 13 shall not be in any way a debt or liability of the State or of any local 14 unit or municipality. 15 (cf: P.L.1948, c.348, s.16) 16 17 18. Section 17 of P.L.1948, c.348 (C.40:66A-17) is amended to 18 read as follows: 19 17. Every incinerator or environmental services authority is 20 hereby empowered, in its own name but for the local unit or units, 21 to acquire by purchase, gift, grant or devise and to take for public 22 use real property, within or without the district, which may be 23 deemed by the incinerator or environmental services authority 24 necessary for its purposes. Such incinerator ¹or environmental 25 services¹ authority is hereby empowered to acquire and take such 26 real property by condemnation, in the manner provided by chapter 27 one of Title 20, Eminent Domain, of the Revised Statutes (R.S., 28 section 20:1-1 et seq.) and, to that end, may invoke and exercise in 29 the manner or mode of procedure prescribed in said chapter, either 30 in its own name or in the name of any local unit or units, all of the 31 powers of such local unit or units to acquire or take property for 32 public use. 33 (cf: P.L.1948, c.348, s.17) 34 35 19. Section 18 of P.L.1948, c.348 (C.40:66A-18) is amended to 36 read as follows: 37 18. (a) In the event that a service charge of any incinerator or 38 environmental services authority with regard to any parcel of real 39 property shall not be paid as and when due, interest shall accrue and 40 be due to the incinerator or environmental services authority on the 41 unpaid balance at the rate of one per centum (1%) per month until 42 such service charge, and the interest thereon, shall be fully paid to 43 the incinerator or environmental services authority. 44 (b) In the event that a service charge of any incinerator or 45 environmental services authority with regard to any parcel of real property owned by any person, firm, corporation or association 46 47 shall not be paid as and when due, the unpaid balance thereof and

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all interest accruing thereon shall be a lien on such parcel. Such
lien shall be superior and paramount to the interest in such parcel of
any owner, lessee, tenant, mortgagee or other person except the lien
of State, county and municipal taxes and shall be on a parity with
and deemed equal to the lien on such parcel of State, county and
municipal taxes.

7 (c) In the event that a service charge of any incinerator or 8 environmental services authority with regard to any parcel of real 9 property shall not be paid as and when due, the incinerator or 10 environmental services authority may, in its discretion, discontinue 11 the furnishing of any of the services and facilities of said garbage 12 disposal system until such service charge and any subsequent 13 service charge with regard to such parcel and all interest accrued 14 thereon shall be fully paid to the incinerator or environmental 15 services authority.

16 (d) The collector or other officer of every municipality charged 17 by law with the duty of enforcing municipal liens on real property 18 shall enforce, with and as any other municipal lien on real property 19 in such municipality, all service charges and the lien thereof and 20 shall pay over to the incinerator or environmental services authority 21 the sums or a pro rata share of the sums realized upon such 22 enforcement or upon liquidation of any property acquired by the 23 municipality by virtue of such enforcement.

24 (e) In the event that any service charge of an incinerator or 25 environmental services authority shall not be paid as and when due, 26 the unpaid balance thereof and all interest accrued thereon, together 27 with attorneys' fees and costs, may be recovered by the incinerator 28 or environmental services authority in a civil action, and any lien on 29 real property for such service charge and interest accrued thereon 30 may be foreclosed or otherwise enforced by the incinerator or 31 environmental services authority by action or suit in equity as for 32 the foreclosure of a mortgage on such real property.

33 (f) All rights and remedies granted by this act for the collection
34 and enforcement of service charges shall be cumulative and
35 concurrent.

36 (cf: P.L.1948, c.348, s.18)

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38 20. Section 19 of P.L.1948, c.348 (C.40:66A-19) is amended to
 39 read as follows:

40 19. Any county, by resolution of its board of chosen freeholders, 41 or any municipality, by ordinance of its governing body, or any 42 other person is hereby empowered, without any referendum and 43 without the consent of any board, officer or other agency of the 44 State, to sell, lease, lend, grant or convey to any incinerator or 45 environmental services authority, or to permit any incinerator or 46 environmental services authority [in] to use, maintain or operate as 47 part of the garbage disposal system, any real or personal property

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1 owned by it, which may be necessary or useful and convenient for 2 the purposes of the incinerator or environmental services authority 3 and which may be accepted by the incinerator or environmental 4 services authority. Any such sale, lease, loan, grant, conveyance or 5 permit may be made with or without consideration and for a 6 specified or an unlimited period of time and under any agreement 7 and in any terms and conditions which may be approved by such 8 county, municipality or other person and which may be agreed to by 9 the incinerator or environmental services authority in conformity 10 with its contracts with the holders of bonds, the incinerator or 11 environmental services authority may enter into and perform any 12 and all agreements for the assumption of principal or interest or 13 both of indebtedness of such county, municipality or other person or 14 of any mortgage or lien existing with respect to such property or for 15 the operation and maintenance of such property as part of the 16 garbage disposal system.

- 17 (cf: P.L.1948, c.348, s.19)
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19 21. Section 20 of P.L.1948, c.348 (C.40:66A-20) is amended to20 read as follows:

21 20. Any incinerator or environmental services authority and any 22 municipality within the district by ordinance of its governing body 23 may enter into a contract or contracts providing for or relating to 24 the collection, treatment and disposal of garbage and refuse 25 originating in the district or in such municipality by means of the 26 garbage disposal system, and the cost and expense of such 27 collection, treatment and disposal. Such contract or contracts may 28 provide for the payment to the incinerator or environmental services 29 authority by such municipality annually or otherwise of such sum or 30 sums of money, computed at fixed amounts or by a formula based 31 on any factors or other matters described in subsection (b) of 32 section 8 of this act or in any other manner, as said contract or 33 contracts may provide, and the sum or sums so payable may include 34 provision for all or any part or a share of the amounts necessary (1) 35 to pay or provide for the expenses of operation and maintenance of 36 the garbage disposal system, including without limitation insurance, 37 extensions, betterments and replacements and the principal of and 38 interest on any bonds, and (2) to provide for any deficits resulting 39 from failure to receive sums payable to the incinerator or 40 environmental services authority by such municipality, any other 41 municipality, or any person, or from any other cause, and (3) to 42 maintain such reserves or sinking funds for any of the foregoing as 43 may be required by the terms of any contract of the incinerator or 44 environmental services authority or as may be deemed necessary or 45 desirable by the incinerator or environmental services authority. 46 Any such contract may provide that the sum or sums so payable to 47 the incinerator or environmental services authority shall be in lieu

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1 of all or any part of the service charges which would otherwise be 2 charged and collected by the incinerator or environmental services 3 authority with regard to persons or real property within such 4 Such contract or contracts may also contain municipality. 5 provisions as to the financing and payment of expenses to be 6 incurred by the incinerator or environmental services authority and 7 determined by it to be necessary for its purposes prior to the placing 8 in operation of the garbage disposal system and may provide for the 9 payment by such municipality to the incinerator or environmental 10 services authority for application to such expenses or indebtedness 11 therefor such sum or sums of money, not in the aggregate exceeding 12 an amount stated or otherwise limited in said contract or contracts 13 plus interest thereon, as said contract or contracts may provide and 14 as the governing body of said municipality shall, by virtue of its 15 authorization of and entry into said contract or contracts, determine 16 to be necessary for the purposes of the incinerator or environmental 17 services authority. Any such contract may be made with or without 18 consideration and for a specified or an unlimited time and on any 19 terms and conditions which may be approved by such municipality 20 and which may be agreed to by the incinerator or environmental 21 services authority in conformity with its contracts with the holders 22 of any bonds, and shall be valid whether or not an appropriation 23 with respect thereto is made by such municipality prior to 24 authorization or execution thereof. Subject to any such contracts 25 with the holders of bonds, such municipality is hereby authorized 26 and directed to do and perform any and all acts or things necessary, 27 convenient or desirable to carry out and perform every such 28 contract and to provide for the payment or discharge of any 29 obligation thereunder in the same manner as other obligations of 30 such municipality and, in accordance with any such contract, to 31 waive, modify, suspend or reduce the service charges which would 32 otherwise be charged and collected by the incinerator or 33 environmental services authority with regard to persons or real 34 property within such municipality. Nothing in this section, 35 however, shall prevent the incinerator or environmental services 36 authority from collecting additional fees and charges from the 37 owners or occupants of all parcels of real estate served by it within 38 such municipality if for any reason such additional fees or charges 39 shall be necessary in order for the incinerator or environmental 40 services authority to pay all operating expenses, debt service and 41 other payments required pursuant to contracts with bondholders; 42 and notwithstanding such contracts with such municipalities, the 43 incinerator or environmental services authority shall at all times 44 have power and be obligated to collect sufficient additional fees and 45 charges whenever necessary to pay all operating costs, debt service 46 and all other payments required by contracts with bondholders.

47 (cf: P.L.1954, c.185, s.1)

1 22. Section 21 of P.L.1948, c.348 (C.40:66A-21) is amended to 2 read as follows: 3 21. Each county, municipality and other public body shall 4 promptly pay to any incinerator or environmental services authority 5 all service charges which the incinerator or environmental services authority may charge to it, as owner or occupant of any real 6 7 property and shall provide for the payment thereof in the same 8 manner as other obligations of such county, municipality or public 9 body. 10 (cf: P.L.1948, c.348, s.21) 11 12 23. Section 22 of P.L.1948, c.348 (C.40:66A-22) is amended to 13 read as follows: 14 22. Neither the incinerator or environmental services authority 15 nor any local unit shall have power to mortgage, pledge, encumber or otherwise dispose of any part of the garbage disposal system, 16 17 except that the incinerator or environmental services authority may 18 dispose of such part or parts thereof as may be no longer necessary 19 for the purposes of the incinerator or environmental services 20 The provisions of this section shall be deemed to authority. 21 constitute a part of the contract with the holder of any bonds. All 22 property of an incinerator or environmental services authority shall 23 be exempt from levy and sale by virtue of an execution and no 24 execution or other judicial process shall issue against the same nor 25 shall any judgment against an incinerator or environmental services 26 authority be a charge or lien upon its property; provided, that 27 nothing herein contained shall apply to or limit the rights of the 28 holder of any bonds to pursue any remedy for the enforcement of 29 any pledge or lien given by an incinerator or environmental services 30 authority on its system revenues. 31 (cf: P.L.1948, c.348, s.22) 32 33 24. Section 24 of P.L.1948, c.348 (C.40:66A-24) is amended to 34 read as follows: 35 24. Every garbage disposal system and all other property of an 36 incinerator or environmental services authority are hereby declared 37 to be public property of a political subdivision of the State and 38 devoted to an essential public and governmental function and 39 purpose and shall be exempt from all taxes and special assessments 40 of the State or any subdivision thereof. All bonds issued pursuant 41 to this act are hereby declared to be issued by a political subdivision

of this State and for an essential public and governmental purpose
and to be a public instrumentality, and such bonds, and the interest
thereon and the income therefrom, and all service charges, funds,
revenues and other moneys pledged or available to pay or secure the

46 payment of such bonds, or interest thereon, shall at all times be

exempt from taxation except for transfer, inheritance and estate 1 2 taxes. 3 (cf: P.L.1948, c.348, s.24) 4 5 25. Section 25 of P.L.1948, c.348 (C.40:66A-25) is amended to 6 read as follows: 7 25. The State of New Jersey does hereby pledge to and covenant 8 and agree with the holders of any bonds issued pursuant to this act 9 that the State will not authorize or permit the construction or 10 maintenance of any incinerator or garbage disposal system which 11 will be competitive with the garbage disposal system of the 12 incinerator or environmental services authority, and will not limit or 13 alter the rights hereby vested in the incinerator or environmental 14 services authority to acquire, construct, maintain, reconstruct and 15 operate its garbage disposal system, and to fix, establish, charge and 16 collect its service charges and to fulfill the terms of any agreement 17 made with the holders of such bonds or other obligations, and will 18 not in any way impair the rights or remedies of such holders, and 19 will not modify in any way the exemptions from taxation provided 20 for in this act, until such bonds, together with interest thereon, with 21 interest on any unpaid installments of interest, and all costs and 22 expenses in connection with any action or proceeding by or on 23 behalf of such holders, are fully met and discharged. 24 (cf: P.L.1948, c.348, s.25) 25 26 26. Section 26 of P.L.1948, c.348 (C.40:66A-26) is amended to 27 read as follows: 28 26. All banks, bankers, trust companies, savings banks, 29 investment companies and other persons carrying on a banking 30 business are hereby authorized to give to any incinerator or 31 environmental services authority a good and sufficient undertaking 32 with such sureties as shall be approved by the incinerator or 33 environmental services authority to the effect that such bank or banking institution as hereinbefore described shall faithfully keep 34 35 and pay over to the order of or upon the warrant of the incinerator 36 or environmental services authority or its authorized agent all such 37 funds as may be deposited with it by the incinerator or 38 environmental services authority and agreed interest thereon, at 39 such times or upon such demands as may be agreed upon with the 40 authority or, in lieu of such sureties, deposit with the incinerator or 41 environmental services authority or its authorized agent or any 42 trustee therefor or for the holders of any bonds, as collateral, such 43 securities as the incinerator or environmental services authority may 44 approve; provided, such securities shall consist of obligations in 45 which public officers and bodies of the State and its municipal 46 subdivisions, savings institutions, including savings and loan 47 associations, insurance companies and associations, executors,

administrators, guardians, trustees and other fiduciaries in the State 1 2 may properly and legally invest the funds within their control, in 3 such principal amount, market value or other description as may be 4 approved by the incinerator or environmental services authority. 5 The deposits of the incinerator or environmental services authority 6 may be evidenced by a depository collateral agreement in such form 7 and upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon by the 8 incinerator or environmental services authority and such bank or 9 banking institution.

10 (cf: P.L.1948, c.348, s.26)

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12 27. Section 27 of P.L.1948, c.348 (C.40:66A-27) is amended to 13 read as follows:

14 27. After the creation of an incinerator or environmental 15 services authority as provided herein, no municipality within the 16 district shall have power to engage in, grant any license or permit 17 for, or enter into any contract for, the collection, treatment and 18 disposal of garbage and refuse; and no such municipality, or any 19 person, firm, corporation or association shall engage in any 20 activities within such municipality which would be competitive 21 with the purposes of the incinerator or environmental services 22 authority as provided in this act.

23 It is hereby determined and declared that it is necessary for the 24 health and welfare of the inhabitants of every district within which 25 an incinerator or environmental services authority is created that the 26 facilities and services of such incinerator or environmental services 27 authority shall be used by the owners or occupants of all lands, 28 buildings and premises within such district, and the incinerator or 29 environmental services authority may by resolution require the 30 owners or occupants of all lands, buildings and premises therein to 31 use the services and facilities of the incinerator or environmental 32 services authority under such rules and regulations as the 33 incinerator or environmental services authority shall fix and 34 establish.

The provisions of this section shall not be construed, however, to affect or impair any contracts entered into prior to the creation of an incinerator <u>or environmental services</u> authority.

- 38 (cf: P.L.1948, c.348, s.27)
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40 28. This act shall take effect immediately.