

SENATE, No. 802

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 22, 1996

By Senator HAINES

1 A SUPPLEMENT to "An Act making appropriations for the support of
2 the State Government and the several public purposes for the fiscal
3 year ending June 30, 1996 and regulating the disbursement
4 thereof," approved June 30, 1995 (P.L.1995, c.164).

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

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9 1. In addition to the amounts appropriated under P.L.1995, c.164,
10 there is appropriated out of the General Fund the following sum for
11 the purposes specified:

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes sections for STATE AID, 78 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, 60 Transportation Programs, 63 Local Highway Facilities -- State Aid, and a breakdown of grants for winter snow operations.

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24 The amount appropriated hereinabove for Grants to counties for extraordinary winter snow
25 operations and the amount appropriated hereinabove for Grants to municipalities for
26 extraordinary winter snow operations shall each be allocated based on a formula which gives
27 equal consideration to population, local jurisdiction road mileage and winter weather conditions,
28 all as determined by the Commissioner of Transportation.

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30 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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33 STATEMENT

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35 This bill would appropriate \$7 million to the Department of
36 Transportation for grants to counties and municipalities for
37 extraordinary winter snow operations. Of the \$7 million, \$6 million
38 would be for grants to municipalities and \$1 million for grants to

1 counties. The grants would be allocated based on a formula
2 developed by the Commissioner of Transportation which gives equal
3 consideration to population, local jurisdiction road mileage and winter
4 weather conditions.

5 Due to the severity and frequency of winter storms beginning in
6 December of 1995 and the record-breaking quantity of snow which
7 covered the State in the Blizzard of January '96, most counties and
8 municipalities have expended more than the entire amount allocated
9 in their budget for winter snow operations with several months of
10 winter yet to come. This bill would help ease the burden on localities
11 by providing grants to cover a portion of these extraordinary
12 expenses.

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17 Supplemental appropriation of \$7 million to DOT for grants to
18 counties and municipalities for extraordinary winter snow operations.