

SENATE, No. 866

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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By Senators HAINES and LITTELL

1 AN ACT concerning expenditures from the revenues and other funds
2 of the New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund.

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4 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
5 *of New Jersey:*

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7 1. From funds authorized by the Legislature to be appropriated
8 from the revenues and other funds of the New Jersey Transportation
9 Trust Fund Authority for the FY 1995 and the FY 1996 transportation
10 capital construction programs, the Commissioner of Transportation
11 may allocate and transfer \$15,000,000 from a part or all of any item
12 or items to the Betterments account for extraordinary road
13 maintenance and repairs on the State highway system.

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15 2. From funds authorized by the Legislature to be appropriated
16 from the revenues and other funds of the New Jersey Transportation
17 Trust Fund Authority for the FY 1995 and the FY 1996 transportation
18 capital construction programs, the Commissioner of Transportation
19 may allocate and transfer \$4,000,000 from a part or all of any item or
20 items to the State Aid, Discretionary aid account for grants to counties
21 to be used for extraordinary road maintenance and repairs.

22 Grants to counties for extraordinary road maintenance and repairs
23 shall be allocated based on a formula which gives equal consideration
24 to population, local jurisdiction road mileage, and winter weather
25 conditions, all as determined by the commissioner.

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27 3. From funds authorized by the Legislature to be appropriated
28 from the revenues and other funds of the New Jersey Transportation
29 Trust Fund Authority for the FY 1995 and the FY 1996 transportation
30 capital construction programs, the Commissioner of Transportation
31 may allocate and transfer \$6,000,000 from a part or all of any item or
32 items to the State Aid, Discretionary aid account for grants to
33 municipalities to be used for extraordinary road maintenance and
34 repairs.

35 Grants to municipalities for extraordinary road maintenance and
36 repairs shall be allocated based on a formula which gives equal
37 consideration to population, local jurisdiction road mileage, and winter

1 weather conditions, all as determined by the commissioner.

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3 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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8 This bill authorizes the Commissioner of Transportation to allocate
9 and transfer monies from a part or all of any item or items from funds
10 authorized by the Legislature to be appropriated from the revenues
11 and other funds of the New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund
12 Authority for the FY 1995 and the FY 1996 transportation capital
13 construction programs for extraordinary road maintenance and repairs.
14 The bill authorizes the commissioner to transfer \$15 million for
15 extraordinary road maintenance and repairs on the State highway
16 system, \$4 million for grants to counties for county road repairs and
17 \$6 million for grants to municipalities for municipal road repairs.

18 Grants to counties and municipalities would be allocated based on
19 a formula to be developed by the commissioner which gives equal
20 consideration to population, local jurisdiction road mileage, and winter
21 weather conditions.

22 Due to the severity and frequency of winter storms beginning in
23 December of 1995, along with the dramatic temperature changes,
24 many roads throughout the State have developed potholes and other
25 damage requiring repair. This extraordinary damage was not
26 anticipated, and therefore not budgeted for. This bill would provide
27 funds to make these necessary repairs.

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33 Authorizes use of \$25 million of Transportation Trust Fund monies for
extraordinary road maintenance and repairs.