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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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By Senators KYRILLOS, SINGER, Palaia, Ciesla and Connors

1 AN ACT concerning transportation and amending P.L.1984, c.73.

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

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6 1. Section 3 of P.L.1984, c.73 (C.27:1B-3) is amended to read as
7 follows:

8 3. The following words or terms as used in this act shall have the
9 following meaning unless a different meaning clearly appears from the
10 context:

11 a. "Act" means this New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund
12 Authority Act of 1984.

13 b. "Authority" means the New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund
14 Authority created by section 4 of this act.

15 c. "Bonds" means bonds issued by the authority pursuant to the
16 act.

17 d. "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Transportation.

18 e. "Department" means the Department of Transportation.

19 f. "Federal aid highway" means any highway within the State in
20 connection with which the State receives payment or reimbursement
21 from the federal government under the terms of Title 23, United States
22 Code or any amendment, successor, or replacement thereof, for the
23 purposes contained in the act.

24 g. "Federal government" means the United States of America, and
25 any officer, department, board, commission, bureau, division,
26 corporation, agency or instrumentality thereof.

27 h. "South Jersey Transportation Authority" means the public
28 corporation created by section 4 of P.L.1991, c.252 (C.27:25A-4) or
29 its successor.

30 i. "New Jersey Highway Authority" means the public corporation
31 created by section 4 of P.L.1952, c.16 (C.27:12B-4) or its successor.

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

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹ Senate STR committee amendments adopted January 23, 1997.

- 1 j. "New Jersey Turnpike Authority" means the public corporation
2 created by section 3 of P.L.1948, c.454 (C.27:23-3) or its successor.
- 3 k. "Notes" means the notes issued by the authority pursuant to the
4 act.
- 5 l. "Public highways" means public roads, streets, expressways,
6 freeways, parkways, motorways and boulevards, including bridges,
7 tunnels, overpasses, underpasses, interchanges, rest areas, express bus
8 roadways, bus pullouts and turnarounds, park-ride facilities, traffic
9 circles, grade separations, traffic control devices, the elimination or
10 improvement of crossings of railroads and highways, whether at grade
11 or not at grade, and any facilities, equipment, property, rights of way,
12 easements and interests therein needed for the construction,
13 improvement and maintenance of highways.
- 14 m. "Public transportation project" means, in connection with
15 public transportation service, passenger stations, shelters and
16 terminals, automobile parking facilities, ramps, track connections,
17 signal systems, power systems, information and communication
18 systems, roadbeds, transit lanes or rights of way, equipment storage
19 and servicing facilities, bridges, grade crossings, rail cars, locomotives,
20 motorbuses and other motor vehicles, maintenance and garage
21 facilities, revenue handling equipment and any other equipment, facility
22 or property useful for or related to the provision of public
23 transportation service.
- 24 n. "State agency" means any officers, department, board,
25 commission, bureau, division, agency or instrumentality of the State.
- 26 o. "Toll road authorities" means and includes the New Jersey
27 Turnpike Authority, the New Jersey Highway Authority and the South
28 Jersey Transportation Authority.
- 29 p. "Transportation project" means, in addition to public highways
30 and public transportation projects, any equipment, facility or property
31 useful or related to the provision of any ground, waterborne or air
32 transportation for the movement of people and goods.
- 33 q. "Transportation system" means public highways, public
34 transportation projects, other transportation projects, and all other
35 methods of transportation for the movement of people and goods.
- 36 r. "Maintenance" means, in relation to public transportation
37 projects, direct costs of work necessary for preserving or maintaining
38 the useful life of public transportation projects, provided the work
39 performed is associated with the acquisition, installation and
40 rehabilitation of components which are not included in the normal
41 operating maintenance of equipment and facilities or replaced on a
42 scheduled basis. The work shall ensure the useful life of the project
43 for not less than four years and shall not include routine maintenance
44 or inspection of equipment and facilities that is conducted on a
45 scheduled basis. This definition shall not apply to the term
46 "maintenance" as used in subsection l. of this section.

1 s. "Circle of Mobility" means an essential group of related transit
2 projects that include (1) the New Jersey Urban Core Project, as
3 defined in section 3031 of the "Intermodal Surface Transportation
4 Efficiency Act of 1991," Pub.L.102-240, and consisting of the
5 following elements: Secaucus Transfer, Kearny Connection,
6 Waterfront Connection, Northeast Corridor Signal System, Hudson
7 River Waterfront Transportation System, Newark-Newark
8 International Airport-Elizabeth Transit Link, a rail connection between
9 Penn Station Newark and Broad Street Station, Newark, New York
10 Penn Station Concourse, and the equipment needed to operate revenue
11 service associated with improvements made by the project, and (2) the
12 modification and reconstruction of the West Shore Line in Bergen
13 County connected to Allied Junction/Secaucus Transfer Meadowlands
14 Rail Center; the construction of a rail station and associated
15 components at the Meadowlands Sports Complex; the modification
16 and reconstruction of the Susquehanna and Western Railway, as
17 defined and provided in section 3035 (a) of the "Intermodal Surface
18 Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991"; [and] the modification and
19 reconstruction of the Lackawanna Cutoff Commuter Rail Line
20 connecting Morris, Sussex and Warren Counties to the North Jersey
21 Transportation Rail Centers; and commuter rail service¹[from the
22 Northeast Corridor at South Brunswick Township in Middlesex
23 County to the proposed Lakewood Transportation Center in Ocean
24 County via Jamesburg Borough, Englishtown Borough, Freehold
25 Borough, Freehold Township, Farmingdale Borough and Howell
26 Township]in the central New Jersey region terminating at the
27 proposed Lakewood Transportation Center in Ocean County or other
28 location, as determined by the Board of the New Jersey Transit
29 Corporation, pursuant to a resolution of the board providing for the
30 achievement of a consensus among the interested parties as to the
31 direction of the proposed rail line; provided, however, that this 1997
32 amendatory act shall not be construed as affecting any priorities which
33 may have been assigned to any other project in the Circle of Mobility¹.
34 (cf: P.L.1995, c.108, s.1)

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36 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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41 Expands definition of Circle of Mobility to include commuter rail
42 service in central New Jersey.