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SYNOPSIS

Permits five-year phase-in of real property revaluation in Newark.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Appropriations Committee on May 17, 1999, with amendments.



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AN ACT concerning revaluation relief for certain cities and amending 1 2 and supplementing various sections of statutory law. 3 4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State 5 of New Jersey: 6 7 1. (New section) This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Revaluation Relief Act of ²[1998] <u>1999</u>²." 8 9 10 2. (New section) The Legislature finds and determines that: 11 a. Article VIII, Section I, paragraph 1 of the Constitution of the 12 State of New Jersey requires that all real property in this State be assessed for taxation under the same standard of value, which the 13 14 Legislature has defined as "true" or "market" value, and taxed at a uniform general tax rate within each taxing district; 15 16 Because of such factors as civil disturbances, loss of an b. 17 industrial tax base, an inordinately high ratio of tax exempt and abated 18 properties to taxable properties, limited resources available to the tax 19 assessor, a lack of uniform data processing standards, and the 20 technological obsolescence of certain local assessment practices, the 21 City of Newark has been unable to implement a municipal revaluation 22 since 1962, resulting in a haphazard patchwork of assessments for the 23 properties within its corporate boundaries; 24 c. Through the statutory equalization process, the Legislature has 25 addressed certain difficulties arising from differential assessment levels, by directing county boards of taxation to adjust aggregate 26 assessments to presumed market levels for the purpose of equitable 27 28 inter-municipal apportionment of county and school tax burdens; 29 however, adequate resources have not been available for the provision 30 of an ongoing adjustment process to address the assessment 31 discrepancies which often arise within individual municipalities; 32 d. When intra-municipal discrepancies become too severe, it is 33 necessary to periodically revalue all parcels of real property within a 34 municipality, in order to reestablish fair and equitable taxation 35 pursuant to the intent of our constitutional mandate, and to avoid 36 costly and time consuming litigation; e. While revaluations are thus necessary to maintain tax equity, 37 implementing a revaluation in a municipality such as the City of 38 39 Newark will result in "shocking," immediate increases in individual 40 property tax bills, which severely strain the financial resources of many of the remaining property owners, particularly middle-class 41

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

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

Assembly ALH committee amendments adopted March 11, 1999.

² Assembly AAP committee amendments adopted May 17, 1999.

1 homeowners, and which threaten the stability and viability of 2 long-standing neighborhoods and communities which are often already 3 in need of rehabilitation; and 4 f. It is, therefore, incumbent upon the Legislature, as a compelling 5 public purpose and a matter of the general public welfare in order to 6 preserve the very existence of the largest urban center in the State and 7 to establish and evaluate a procedure which the Legislature may use 8 for other municipalities with similar problems, to provide the City of 9 Newark with the authority to mitigate this fiscal shock by phasing in 10 tax increases in areas determined to be in need of rehabilitation, thus maintaining the stability and viability of those neighborhoods and 11 12 communities, while requiring the governing body of the City of 13 Newark to conduct and implement a revaluation. 14 15 3. Section 3 of P.L.1993, c.101 (C.54:1-35.41) is amended to read 16 as follows: 17 3. As used in [this act] P.L.1993, c.101 (C.54:1-35.39 et seq.) and P.L., c. (C.) (now pending before the Legislature as this 18 bill): 19 a. "Base year" means the tax year immediately preceding the 20 21 revaluation year; 22 b. **[**"Constant rate factor" means the result obtained by dividing the 23 total tax levy for a municipality, excluding any special district tax levies, for the base year by the net valuation taxable for that 24 25 municipality for the revaluation year, as both are listed in the Abstract 26 of Ratables and Exemptions compiled from the Table of Aggregates 27 prepared for the municipality pursuant to R.S.54:4-52]²[(Deleted by amendment, P.L., c. (now pending before the Legislature as this 28 <u>bill</u>²<u>Constant rate factor" means the result obtained by dividing the</u> 29 30 total tax law levy for a municipality, excluding any special district tax 31 levies, for the base year by the net valuation taxable for that 32 municipality for the revaluation year, as both are listed in the Abstract 33 of Ratables and Exemptions compiled from the Table of Aggregates 34 prepared for the municipality pursuant to R.S. $54:4-52^2$; 35 c. "Director" means the Director of the Division of Taxation in the 36 Department of the Treasury; 37 d. "Eligible property" means any parcel of real property containing 38 a building or structure and located within an area declared in need of 39 rehabilitation pursuant to this act in a municipality in which the 40 director and municipal governing body have determined to implement 41 a revaluation phase-in program, and for which the net assessed 42 valuation of that parcel after exemptions and abatements as it appears 43 on the assessor's duplicate for the revaluation year is scheduled to 44 increase from the value as it appeared on the assessor's duplicate for 45 the base year at a ratio equal to or greater than the total ratio change 46 in net valuation taxable of that municipality for the revaluation year; e. "Revaluation" means the revaluation of all real property within
 the corporate boundaries of a municipality, performed under a contract
 approved by the director pursuant to P.L.1971, c.424 (C.54:1-35.35
 et seq.);

f. "Revaluation relief ²[credit] <u>abatement</u>²" means an exemption
²of that portion of the assessed value of an eligible property which
results in a reduction of tax liability² equivalent to the amount
deducted from the tax liability of an eligible property, as part of a
revaluation phase-in program;

g. "Revaluation impact study" means a calculation of the difference 10 between the tax liability for each parcel of real property situated within 11 the municipality for the revaluation year without benefit of a 12 revaluation ² [phase-in credit] <u>relief abatement</u>, ² and that liability for 13 14 the base year, and the average of all the differences within appropriate 15 groupings of those parcels, which study is conducted under procedures established by the director and is reviewed and certified by the 16 17 director;

h. "Revaluation management analysis" means a revaluation impactstudy and a revaluation phase-in analysis;

i. "Revaluation phase-in analysis" means a calculation of the 20 increase in the tax liability for each parcel of eligible property within 21 22 a municipality between the base year and the revaluation year after application of the [constant rate factor] ²[general tax rate] constant 23 <u>rate factor</u>,² minus the revaluation relief 2 [credit] <u>abatement</u>² the 24 municipality is authorized to allow for that property for each of the 25 [three] five years of a revaluation phase-in program provided for by 26 27 this act, and the average of all such calculations within such groupings 28 of those parcels as appropriate which study is conducted under 29 procedures established by the director and is reviewed and certified by 30 the director;

j. "Revaluation phase-in program" means the provision of
revaluation relief ²[credits] <u>abatement</u>² by a municipality for eligible
properties pursuant to this act;

k. "Revaluation year" means the first tax year in which the tax
liability of real property within a municipality is determined, pursuant
to chapter 4 of Title 54 of the Revised Statutes, on the basis of
assessed valuations of the property established by a revaluation within
that municipality; [and]

39 1. "Area in need of rehabilitation" means a municipality or a portion 40 of a municipality in which at least 60% of the housing units are at least 41 30 years of age; or which has been determined to be an area in need of 42 rehabilitation or redevelopment pursuant to the "Local Redevelopment 43 and Housing Law," P.L.1992, c.79 (C.40A:12A-1 et al.) or a "blighted area" as determined pursuant to the Blighted Area Act, P.L.1949, 44 45 c.187 (C.40:55-21.1 et seq.); or which has been determined to be in need of rehabilitation pursuant to the "Five-Year Exemption and 46

1 Abatement Law," P.L.1991, c.441 (C.40A:21-1 et seq.), P.L.1975, 2 c.104 (C.54:4-3.72 et seq.), P.L.1977, c.12 (C.54:4-3.95 et seq.), or 3 P.L.1979, c.233 (C.54:4-3.121 et al.): and 4 m. "Act" means sections 1 through 10 of P.L.1993, c.101 (C.54:1-35.39 et seq.), as amended and supplemented by P.L., c. (C. 5) 6 (now pending before the Legislature as this bill). 7 (cf: P.L.1993, c.101, s.3) 8 9 ²4. Section 4 of P.L.1993, c.101 (C54:1-35.42) is amended to read 10 as follows: 11 4. The director and the governing body of a municipality which 12 has undertaken a revaluation may allow revaluation relief [credits] abatements for eligible properties as hereinafter provided: 13 14 a. On or before April 15 of the revaluation year for municipalities 15 operating on the January 1 to December 31 fiscal year, or one week following the date established by law for the adoption of the municipal 16 budget for municipalities operating on the State fiscal year, whichever 17 is appropriate, the governing body of the municipality shall conduct a 18 19 revaluation management analysis; provided, however, that a 20 municipality which has conducted a revaluation that has not yet been 21 used as the basis for a tax billing as of the effective date of this act 22 may undertake the revaluation management analysis without regard for 23 the deadline established herein. The governing body shall, at the same 24 time, notify the county board of taxation of the county in which the 25 municipality is situated of its intention to conduct a revaluation management analysis. 26 27 b. Within three days of filling out the Table of Aggregates for the county, the county board of taxation shall transmit to each 28 29 municipality which has notified the county board of taxation of its intention to conduct a revaluation management analysis certified 30 31 copies of the assessor's duplicate for the revaluation year and the base 32 year and include a certified copy of the Table of Aggregates for the 33 municipality. 34 Upon receipt of the assessor's duplicates and Tables of c. 35 Aggregates, as provided in subsection b. of this section, and the certified copy of the Table of Aggregates from the county treasurer, 36 as provided in R.S.54:4-52, the municipality shall prepare a 37 38 revaluation management analysis as soon as practicable thereafter. 39 d. After review of the revaluation management analysis, the 40 governing body of the municipality may determine, by ordinance, to 41 implement a revaluation phase-in program. That ordinance also shall 42 contain a listing of the areas within the municipality declared in need 43 of rehabilitation in accordance with subsection 1. of section 3 of this 44 act. A listing, by block and lot, shall be available for public inspection in the office of the municipal assessor immediately following adoption 45

46 of the ordinance.

1 e. Upon the adoption of an ordinance pursuant to subsection d. of 2 this section, the governing body shall immediately notify and transmit 3 certified copies of the ordinance to the director and the county board 4 of taxation. In addition, notwithstanding the provisions of R.S.54:4-64, the governing body shall direct the collector of the taxing 5 6 district not to prepare and deliver any tax bills until the county board 7 of taxation has prepared and delivered a revised tax duplicate for the 8 municipality. Any collector so directed shall prepare and mail, or 9 otherwise cause to be delivered, a statement to the individuals assessed 10 and, if so authorized, to any mortgagee or other agent in substantially the following form: "The governing body of (municipality) has 11 determined to phase in tax increases associated with the recently 12 completed revaluation. Your tax bill incorporating the phase-in will 13 be forthcoming."²² 14 (cf: P.L.1993, c.101, s.4.) 15 16 ²[4.] 5.² Section 5 of P.L.1993, c.101 (C.54:1-35.43) is amended 17 to read as follows: 18 5. a. Upon the receipt of a certified copy of the ordinance, the 19 director shall conduct a final review of the tax duplicate for the 20 21 municipality, and make a final determination of which parcels of real 22 property in the municipality are eligible properties. b. The director shall determine the amount of the revaluation 23 relief ²[credit] <u>abatement</u>² for each eligible property for the 24 revaluation year as follows: 25 26 $RR^{2}[C]\underline{A}^{2} = [0.75] \underline{0.80} (A-B)$ 27 28 [here] <u>where</u>: 29 "RR²[C] \underline{A}^2 " equals the revaluation relief ²[credit] <u>abatement</u>² for 30 31 the eligible property; "A" equals the tax liability produced by multiplying the [constant 32 rate factor] ²[general tax rate] constant rate factor² for the 33 34 municipality for the revaluation year times the net assessed value of the eligible property as it appears on the assessor's duplicate for the 35 36 revaluation year; and 37 "B" equals the tax liability produced by multiplying the general tax 38 rate for the municipality for the base year times the net assessed value 39 of the eligible property as it appeared on the assessor's duplicate for 40 the base year. (cf: P.L.1993, c.101, s.5) 41 42 ²6. Section 6 of P.L.1993, c.101 (C.54:1-35.44) is amended to 43 read as follows: 44

6. a. The director shall certify to the county board of taxation theaggregate amount of revaluation relief [credits] <u>abatements</u> to be

allowed eligible properties within the municipality. The county board 1 2 of taxation shall forthwith prepare a revised Table of Aggregates. In 3 the revised Table of Aggregates, the board shall include, as part of the 4 amount which must be raised for local municipal purposes through 5 taxation, the aggregate amount of the revaluation relief [credits] abatements to be allowed eligible properties within the municipality. 6 7 The revised Table of Aggregates for the municipality shall be signed 8 and transmitted as provided in R.S.54:4-52. 9 b. The director shall provide, at the same time, the county board of 10 taxation with a certified list of the eligible properties within the municipality and the amount of the revaluation relief [credit] 11 12 abatement to which each is entitled. The county board shall immediately thereafter cause the corrected, revised and completed 13

14 duplicate, certified by it to be a true record of the taxes assessed, to 15 be delivered to the collector of the municipality. The revised tax list 16 shall remain in the office of the board as a public record. Thereafter 17 neither the assessor nor the collector shall make or cause to be made 18 any change or alteration in the tax duplicate except as may be provided 19 by law.²

20 (cf: P.L.1993, c.101, s.6)

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²7. Section 7 of P.L.1993, c.101 (C.54:1-35.45) is amended to read as follows:

7. a. As soon as the tax duplicate is delivered to the collector of
the municipality, the collector shall proceed with the work of
preparing, completing, mailing or otherwise delivering tax bills to the
individuals assessed pursuant to R.S.54:4-64 and R.S.54:4-66.

28 b. The tax bill shall be in a form prescribed by the Director of the 29 Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs, after consultation with the director, and shall 30 31 include, in addition to such other information as may be required by law, rule or regulation, notification [that] as to whether and to what 32 extent the local municipal purposes tax rate for the municipality 33 34 includes a rate to support the revaluation phase-in program. The bill shall also indicate the amount of the revaluation relief [credit] 35 <u>abatement</u> the taxpayer received for his eligible property.² 36

37 (cf. P.L.1993, c.101, s.7)

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²[5] <u>8</u>.² Section 9 of P.L.1993, c.101 (C.54:1-35.47) is amended
 to read as follows:

41 9. Revaluation relief ²[credits] <u>abatements</u>² for eligible properties
42 in the revaluation year shall continue to be provided in the first [and],
43 second <u>and third</u> tax year next following the revaluation year.

For the first **[**and**]**, second <u>and third</u> year following the revaluation year, the director shall calculate, forthwith each year upon the receipt of a certified copy of a resolution from the municipality, the amount

of the revaluation relief ²[credit] <u>abatement</u>² for each eligible 1 2 property. For the purposes of this section: 3 "RR 2 [C]<u>A</u>"² equals the revaluation relief 2 [credit] <u>abatement</u>² for 4 5 the eligible property; "A" equals the tax liability produced by multiplying the [constant 6 rate factor]²[general tax rate] constant rate factor² for the 7 municipality for the revaluation year by the net assessed value of the 8 9 eligible property as it appeared on the assessor's duplicate for the 10 revaluation year; and "B" equals the tax liability produced by multiplying the general tax 11 rate for the municipality for the base year by the net assessed value of 12 13 the eligible property as it appeared on the assessor's duplicate for the 14 base year. 15 For the first tax year next following the revaluation year, the director shall determine the amount of the revaluation relief ²[credit] 16 <u>abatement</u>² as follows: 17 18 $RR^{2}[C]\underline{A}^{2}=[0.50]\underline{0.60}(A-B)$ 19 20 For the second tax year next following the revaluation year, the 21 director shall determine the amount of the revaluation relief ²[credit] 22 <u>abatement</u>² for each eligible property as follows: 23 24 $RR^{2}[C]\underline{A}^{2} = [0.25] \underline{0.40} (A-B)$ 25 26 For the third year next following the revaluation year, the director 27 shall determine the amount of the revaluation relief ²[credit] 28 <u>abatement² for each eligible property as follows:</u> 29 30 <u>**RR</u>** 2 **[C]** <u>**A** 2 = 0.20 (A-B)</u></u> 31 32 33 For the fourth year next following the revaluation year, there shall be no revaluation relief ²[credit] abatement² given, and all properties 34 shall be assessed and taxed at their taxable value. 35 In each of those tax years the director shall certify to the county 36 board of taxation the aggregate amount of revaluation relief ²[credits] 37 <u>abatements²</u> to be provided for eligible properties within the 38 municipality, and shall provide the county board of taxation with a 39 40 certified list of eligible properties within the municipality and the amount of the revaluation relief ²[credit] <u>abatement</u>² to which each is 41 The county board of taxation shall incorporate the 42 entitled. information provided on that list into the tax duplicate prepared for the 43 44 taxing district pursuant to R.S.54:4-55.

45 (cf: P.L.1993, c.101, s.9)

²9. Section 10 of P.L.1993, c.101 (C.54:1-35.48) is amended to 1 2 read as follows: 3 10. The provision of revaluation relief [credits] abatements 4 pursuant to this act shall not result in any tax year in a tax liability for 5 an eligible property which is less than the tax liability for the base year.² 6 (cf: P.L.1993, c.101, s.10) 7 8 ²[6. Section 5 of P.L.1981, c.77 (C.40:48E-5) is amended to read 9 10 as follows: 5. a. For any calendar year, the owner of a hotel shall be required 11 12 to pay the [greater of the] real property tax (defined to be the 13 payment of ad valorem taxes or payment in lieu of taxes or payment of annual service charges) [or] and the hotel use or occupancy tax[, 14 15 to be calculated as follows: (1) If the quarterly installment of the real property tax is less than 16 the quarterly installment of the hotel use or occupancy tax, the owner 17 18 shall be required to pay only the hotel use or occupancy tax. 19 (2) If the quarterly installment of the real property tax is greater 20 than the quarterly installment of the hotel use or occupancy tax, the owner shall be required to pay the hotel use or occupancy tax, and, in 21 22 addition, the owner shall be required to make a supplemental payment. 23 For the purposes of this section, "supplemental payment" means an 24 amount equal to the excess of the real property tax installment over 25 the hotel use or occupancy tax installment. 26 b. At the end of the calendar year, the total hotel use or occupancy tax payments made during the year shall be adjusted as follows: 27 28 (1) If the total of the hotel use or occupancy tax payments, excluding any supplemental payments, made during the year exceeds 29 the total real property tax for that year, the city shall refund to the 30 31 owner the total amount of the supplemental payments, if any, made 32 during the year; or 33 (2) If the total of the hotel use or occupancy tax payments, 34 excluding any supplemental payments, made during the year does not exceed the total real property tax for the year, and if the total of the 35 36 hotel use or occupancy tax payments and supplemental payments made 37 during the year does exceed the total real property tax for the year, the 38 city shall refund to the owner the difference between: (a) the total 39 property tax paid and (b) the sum of the hotel or occupancy tax paid 40 plus the supplemental payments paid. 41 c. The refunds shall be paid to the owner without interest by July 42 1 of the succeeding year or 15 days after the adoption of the annual 43 budget by the municipal council, whichever is later. 44 d. No refund shall be made in any year in which the owner has 45 failed to be current in its hotel use or occupancy tax, including any

46 supplemental payments required under this section. For the purposes

1 of this section, "current" means that quarterly installments of tax have

2 been paid in accordance with R.S.54:4-66].

3 (cf: P.L.1991, c.23, s.1)]²

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5 ²[7. (New section) In addition to any parking tax imposed pursuant to section 6 of P.L.1970, c.326 (C.40:48C-6) the 6 7 municipality, by ordinance, may impose a revaluation relief surcharge, 8 not to exceed an additional 4%, on fees for parking, garaging, or 9 storing of motor vehicles, other than parking in a garage which is part 10 of premises occupied solely as a private one- or two-family dwelling. 11 For the purposes of this section, in the case where any parking facility 12 situated within two contiguous municipalities authorized under section 13 1 of P.L.1970, c.326 (C.40:48C-1) and section 2 of P.L.1987, c.21 14 (C.40:48C-1.2), the surcharge authorized herein may only be imposed 15 on fees attributable to that portion of any parking facility which is situated within the physical boundaries of the municipality.]² 16 17 18 ²[8. (New section) Notwithstanding sections 5, 8 and 19 of

19 P.L.1970, c.326 (C.40:48C-5, 40:48C-8 and 1 [30:48C-19] 40:48C- 19^{1}) any tax imposed by the City of Newark pursuant to the "Local" 20 21 Tax Authorization Act," P.L.1970, c.326 (C.40:48C-1 et seq.), ¹[and]¹ may be continued by the City of Newark until January 1 of the 22 fourth year next following the year in which the revaluation required 23 24 pursuant to P.L., c. (C.) (now pending before the Legislature 25 as this bill) is implemented or until the date on which the tax expires, 26 whichever is later, and any surcharge on those taxes authorized under 27 P.L. , c. (C.) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill), may be continued by the City of Newark until January 1 of the 28 29 fourth year next following the year in which the revaluation required 30 pursuant to P.L., c. (C.) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill) is implemented.]² 31

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33 ²[9. (New section) The City of Newark is hereby authorized and 34 empowered to enact an ordinance imposing a tax on sales of fuels taxed pursuant to chapter 39 of Title 54 of the Revised Statutes sold 35 36 or delivered to the consumer thereof in that municipality and 37 specifying the rate of the tax. That tax shall be in addition to the tax 38 imposed by such chapter and shall be administered and collected by the 39 Director of the Division of Taxation pursuant to chapter 39 of Title 54 40 of the Revised Statutes and the State Tax Uniform Procedure Law, 41 R.S.54:48-1 et seq. That additional tax shall be imposed upon those 42 persons who now pay to the director the tax imposed by chapter 39 of 43 Title 54 of the Revised statutes to the extent that such persons have 44 reason to believe such fuel is intended for sale or delivery to the 45 consumer thereof in such municipality. In the event that the additional

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tax has not been paid for any motor fuel which is delivered for sale or 1 2 delivery within the municipality to the consumer thereof, the additional 3 tax shall be imposed upon the person making such delivery and said 4 person shall pay the tax to the director, and the failure of such person to so pay and remit the tax shall constitute a violation of P.L., c. 5) (pending before the Legislature as this bill).]² 6 (C. 7 8 ²[10. (New section) All receipts collected by the Director of the 9 Division of Taxation in the Department of the Treasury with respect 10 to an additional tax imposed by an ordinance adopted pursuant to section 9 of P.L.) (now pending before the 11 , c. (C. 12 Legislature as this bill), shall be paid by the State Treasurer to the City 13 of Newark upon certification of the director to the chief financial 14 officer of such municipality on or before the tenth day of each month following receipt thereof by the director.]² 15 16 17 ²[11. (New section) Any ordinance and any amendment thereof adopted pursuant to section 9 of P.L., c. (C. 18) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill) shall apply to sales of motor fuels on 19 20 and after the first day of the month following the filing of a certified 21 copy thereof with the Director of the Division of Taxation in the 22 Department of the Treasury and the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs.]² 23 24 ²<u>10.(New section) Notwithstanding any provisions of sections 8</u> 25 and 19 of P.L.1970, c.326 (C.40:48C-8 and 40:48C-19) to the 26 27 contrary, a municipality as defined in section 1 of P.L.1970, c.326 28 (C.40:48C-1) that undertakes a revaluation by entering into a contract 29 approved by the director for the completion of a revaluation, and 30 enters into that contract within 360 days following the effective date 31 of P.L., c. (C.)(now pending before the Legislature as this bill) pursuant to P.L.1993, c.101 (C.54:1-35.39 et seq.) is authorized 32 33 to impose the taxes authorized by articles 3 and 5 of P.L.1970, c.326 until January 1 of the fourth year next following the revaluation year 34 or until the date on which the tax expires, whichever is later.² 35 36 ²[12]<u>11.²</u> (New section) ²[a. No tax shall be imposed under any 37 ordinance adopted pursuant to section 9 P.L., c. (C. 38 39 (now pending before the Legislature as this bill), and no surcharge 40 shall be imposed under any ordinance adopted pursuant to section 7 of , c. (C. 41) (now pending before the Legislature as this P.L. 42 bill), on or after the first day of the first month next following the fifth year after enactment of P.L. 43 , c. (C.) (now pending before 44 the Legislature as this bill). b.]² All monies received by the City of Newark pursuant to a tax 45 ²[or surcharge]² imposed pursuant to ²[sections 7 or 9] section 10^{2} 46

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of P.L., c., (C. 1) (now pending before the Legislature as 2 this bill) shall be used for the sole purpose of funding revaluation relief ²[credits] <u>abatements</u>. The procedures and safeguards to implement 3 4 the requirement that funds be used for the sole purpose of funding 5 revaluation relief shall be as the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs shall 6 7 prescribe.² 8

²[13.]<u>12.²</u> (New section) Prior to imposition of any ²[new]² tax 9 ²[or surcharge]² authorized by P.L., c. (C. 10) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill), the ²[Director of the 11 Division of Local Government Services in the Department of 12 Community Affairs] <u>director</u>² shall present a plan to the Legislature, 13 in consultation with the Essex County Board of Taxation, the tax 14 15 assessor for the City of Newark, and the mayor and city council of the 16 City of Newark, to maintain assessments at market value following implementation of the revaluation²: and, prior to the imposition of any 17 18 tax authorized by P.L., c. (C.) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill), the Director of the Division of Local 19 20 Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs, in 21 consultation with the city, shall present to the Legislature a plan for 22 assuring that the requirements of section 11 of P.L., c. (C.) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill) that funds be used for 23 24 the sole purpose of funding revaluation relief will be fulfilled; and provided further that the city shall report annually, on or before April 25 26 1 of the year following the revaluation year and each of the three years 27 thereafter, on the implementation of that plan, the expenditure of those 28 funds, and the impact of the plan on the level of expenditures in the 29 city budget².

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^{31 &}lt;sup>2</sup>[14.] <u>13.</u>² This act shall take effect immediately.