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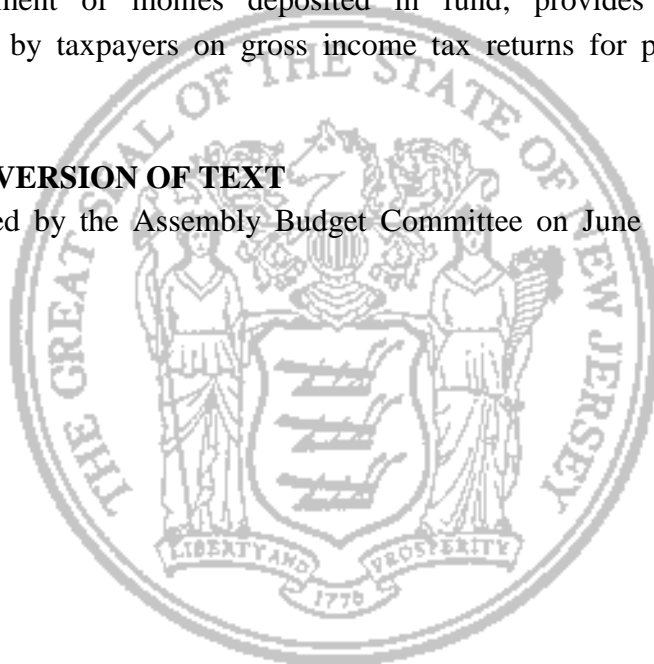
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SYNOPSIS

Establishes “Pediatric Cancer Research Fund” and establishes requirements for disbursement of monies deposited in fund; provides for voluntary contributions by taxpayers on gross income tax returns for pediatric cancer research.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Budget Committee on June 21, 2021, with amendments.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 2/22/2021)

1 AN ACT concerning ¹**voluntary contributions through gross income**
 2 tax returns to support¹ pediatric cancer research, supplementing
 3 chapter 9 of Title 54A of the New Jersey Statutes and
 4 supplementing and amending P.L.1983, c.6 (C.52:9U-1 et seq.).
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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. (New section) a. There is established in the Department of
 10 the Treasury a special fund to be known as the “New Jersey
 11 Pediatric Cancer Research Fund.”

12 b. Each taxpayer shall have the opportunity to indicate on the
 13 taxpayer’s New Jersey gross income tax return that a portion of the
 14 taxpayer’s refund or an enclosed contribution shall be deposited in
 15 the special fund.

16 c. Any costs incurred by the Division of Taxation for collection
 17 or administration attributable to this act may be deducted from
 18 receipts collected pursuant to this act, as determined by the Director
 19 of the Division of Budget and Accounting in the Department of the
 20 Treasury. The State Treasurer shall deposit net contributions
 21 collected pursuant to this section to the “New Jersey Pediatric
 22 Cancer Research Fund.”

23 d. The Legislature shall annually appropriate all funds
 24 deposited in the “New Jersey Pediatric Cancer Research Fund”
 25 established pursuant to this section to the New Jersey State
 26 Commission on Cancer Research, established pursuant to section 4
 27 of P.L.1983, c.6 (C.52:9U-4) ^{1,1} for pediatric cancer research
 28 projects.

29 ¹e.¹ As used in this ¹**[subsection]** section,¹ “pediatric cancer
 30 research project” means a scientific research project ¹**[, which is]**¹
 31 approved ¹**[by the commission and]** pursuant to section 2 of
 32 P.L. , c. (C. and C.) (pending before the Legislature as
 33 this bill),¹ which ¹scientific research project¹ focuses on the causes,
 34 prevention, education, screening, treatment ^{1,1} or cure of pediatric
 35 cancer ¹, or the symptoms or effects experienced by patients
 36 following completion of a course of treatment for pediatric cancer,¹
 37 and may include, but ¹**[is]** shall¹ not limited to, basic, clinical, and
 38 epidemiologic research.
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40 2. (New section) The New Jersey State Commission on Cancer
 41 Research ¹, in consultation with the advisory group established
 42 pursuant to section 3 of P.L. , c. (C.),¹ shall solicit,
 43 receive, evaluate and approve applications of qualifying research
 44 institutions for grants from the “New Jersey Pediatric Cancer

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:

¹Assembly ABU committee amendments adopted June 21, 2021.

Research Fund,” established pursuant to section 1 of P.L. , c. (C.) (pending before the Legislature as this bill), to ¹conduct research relating to the causes, prevention, education, screening, treatment and cure of pediatric cancer. As used in this section, “qualified research institution” may include academic medical institutions, State or local government agencies, public or private organizations within New Jersey, and any other institution approved by the commission, which is conducting a ¹ fund¹ pediatric cancer research ¹project¹ projects¹ .

¹3. (New section) a. The New Jersey State Commission on Cancer Research shall establish an advisory group within the commission which shall be responsible for advising the commission on how moneys from the fund established pursuant to section 1 of P.L. , c. (C.) (pending before the Legislature as this bill) to support pediatric cancer research projects will be distributed by the commission.

b. The size and composition of the advisory group shall be at the discretion of the commission and shall be limited to individuals who either treat patients with pediatric cancer, conduct research into pediatric cancer, advocate to advance pediatric cancer research or treatment, or have been affected by their own or a family member’s diagnosis of pediatric cancer.

c. The advisory group shall meet at such times and frequencies as shall be required by the commission.¹

¹4. Section 3 of P.L.1983, c.6 (C.52:9U-3) is amended to read as follows:

3. As used in this act:

[a.] "Approved research project" means a scientific research project, which is approved by the commission and which focuses on the genetic, biochemical, viral, microbiological and environmental causes of cancer, and may include, but is not limited to, behavioral, socio-economic, demographic and psychosocial research or research into methods of clinical treatment; or which focuses on pain management and palliative care for persons diagnosed with cancer.

[b.] "Commission" means the New Jersey State Commission on Cancer Research established pursuant to this act.

[c.] "Institutional support services" means all services, facilities, equipment, personnel and expenditures associated with the creation and maintenance of approved research projects.

[d.] “Pediatric cancer research project” means a scientific research project approved pursuant to this act, which scientific research project focuses on the causes, prevention, education, screening, treatment, or cure of pediatric cancer, or the symptoms or effects experienced by patients following completion of a course of

1 treatment for pediatric cancer, and may include, but shall not
2 limited to, basic, clinical, and epidemiologic research.

3 "Qualifying research institution" means the Coriell Institute for
4 Medical Research in Camden, New Jersey, Rutgers--The State
5 University, Rowan University, Princeton University and any other
6 institution approved by the commission, which is conducting an
7 approved research project. For the purposes of sections 2 through 5
8 of P.L. , c. (C.), "qualifying research institution" may
9 include academic medical institutions, State or local government
10 agencies, public or private organizations within New Jersey, and
11 any other institution approved by the commission, which is
12 conducting a pediatric cancer research project.¹

13 (cf: P.L.2012, c.45, s.131)

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15 ¹5. Section 5 of P.L.1983, c.6 (C.52:9U-5) is amended to read as
16 follows:

17 5. The commission shall:

18 a. Review and authorize approved research projects;
19 b. Apportion all available funds to qualifying research
20 institutions to finance approved research projects and necessary
21 institutional support services;

22 c. Ensure that funds appropriated to approved research projects
23 are not diverted to any other use;

24 d. Take steps necessary to encourage the development within
25 the State of research projects on:

26 (1) the causes of cancer; and

27 (2) pain management and palliative care for persons diagnosed
28 with cancer;

29 e. Compile a directory of all cancer research projects being
30 conducted in the State; and

31 f. Provide the Governor and, pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1991,
32 c.164 (C.52:14-19.1), the Legislature, with a report by January 30
33 of each year describing the status of the commission's activities and
34 the results of its funded research efforts, which report shall include,
35 with respect to the pediatric cancer research fund established
36 pursuant to section 1 of P.L. , c. (C.) (pending before the
37 Legislature as this bill), a summary of the use and impact of funds
38 expended in the prior fiscal year and any recommendations for
39 future initiatives or action regarding pediatric cancer research
40 funding.¹

41 (cf: P.L.2000, c.63, s.2)

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43 ¹[3.] 6.¹ Section 8 of P.L.1983, c.6 (C.52:9U-8) is amended to
44 read as follows:

45 8. \$1,000,000.00 shall be appropriated annually from the
46 Cancer Research Fund established by P.L.1982, c.40 (C.54:40A-
47 8 et al.) to effectuate the purposes of this act, except that only
48 \$500,000.00 shall be appropriated from the fund in fiscal year

1 1982-1983. The full amount of the annual appropriation from the
2 Cancer Research Fund mandated by this section to effectuate the
3 purposes of this act shall be made notwithstanding any monies
4 received by taxpayer voluntary contribution through gross income
5 tax return to any cancer research fund designated for a specific type
6 or category of cancer by State law.
7 (cf: P.L.1983, c.6, s.8)

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9 ¹**[4.]** 7.¹ This act shall take effect immediately and apply to
10 taxable years beginning on or after January 1 next following
11 enactment.