SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1228

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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The Senate Transportation Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 1228 with committee amendments.

As amended and reported, this bill allows general aviation airports in the State to carry over grant money from the Airport Safety Fund and the Department of Transportation's Airport Improvement Program into future fiscal years. In order to do so, the airport is required to have applied for municipal and county approvals, submit a schedule of the expected expenditure of the funds to the department, and use the money for a purpose authorized under the grant agreement or applicable State law. However, the carry over authorized pursuant to the bill cannot be incompatible with federal aid and assistance overseen by the department.

The committee amendments clarify that the airport is the entity, under the bill, that would submit a schedule of expected expenditures to the Department of Transportation. The amendments also update the bill's synopsis.