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SYNOPSIS

Reduces municipal library tax levy cap from 15% to 4%.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel



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1 AN ACT concerning municipal free library funding and amending
2 P.L.1985, c.541.

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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. Section 5 of P.L.1985, c.541 (C.40:54-8.1) is amended to read
8 as follows:

9 5. Any increase in the amount raised by taxation for the
10 municipal library as required by R.S.40:54-8 shall not exceed the
11 total amount expended by the municipality in the previous year plus
12 **[15%]** 4% of the previous year's total expenditures for the
13 maintenance of a free public library; except that the State Librarian
14 is authorized to approve additional appropriations to any
15 municipality that requests to appropriate an amount in excess of
16 **[15%]** 4% of the previous year's total library expenditures.

17 (cf: P.L.2001, c.137, s.53)

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19 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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24 This bill would reduce the cap for the annual increase in the
25 amount required to be raised by taxation for the municipal library
26 from 15% to 4%. This change would bring the municipal library
27 cap in line with the 4% tax levy cap for municipalities imposed
28 pursuant to sections 9 through 13 of P.L.2007, c.62 (C.40A:4-45.44
29 through C.40A:4-45.47 and C.40A:4-45.3e). The 4% cap could be
30 exceeded only with the approval of the State Librarian.

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.