

ASSEMBLY, No. 1694

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

219th LEGISLATURE

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Sponsored by:

Assemblyman JOHN J. BURZICHELLI

District 3 (Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem)

SYNOPSIS

Increases amount of allowable temporary appropriations by a local unit prior to adoption of its budget from 26.25% to 35% of its total of appropriations in preceding fiscal year.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



1 **AN ACT** concerning temporary appropriations by a local unit
2 between the start of a fiscal year and the adoption of a budget
3 and amending N.J.S.40A:4-19.
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5 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
6 of New Jersey:
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8 1. N.J.S.40A:4-19 is amended to read as follows:

9 40A:4-19. The governing body may and, if any contracts,
10 commitments or payments are to be made prior to the adoption of
11 the budget, shall, by resolution adopted within the first 30 days of
12 the beginning of the fiscal year, make appropriations to provide for
13 the period between the beginning of the fiscal year and the adoption
14 of the budget.

15 The total of the appropriations so made shall not exceed **[26.25]**
16 35% of the total of the appropriations made for all purposes in the
17 budget for the preceding fiscal year excluding, in both instances,
18 appropriations made for interest and debt redemption charges,
19 capital improvement fund and public assistance.

20 Nothing herein contained shall prevent or relieve the governing
21 body from making appropriations during the last 10 days of the year
22 preceding the beginning of the fiscal year for all interest and debt
23 redemption charges maturing during the fiscal year.
24 (cf: P.L.1996, c.113, s.10)
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26 2. This act shall take effect immediately.
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28 STATEMENT

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30 This bill would increase the amount of temporary appropriations
31 that a county or municipality may make between the start of the
32 current fiscal year and the adoption of its budget for the current
33 fiscal year.

34 Under current law, a county or municipality may make
35 appropriations that total only 26.25% of the total amount of the
36 previous year's final appropriations, excluding appropriations made
37 for interest and debt redemption charges, capital improvement fund
38 and public assistance, prior to the adoption of its budget for the
39 current fiscal year. This bill would increase that percentage to 35%
40 of the total amount of the previous year's final appropriations
41 (excluding appropriations made for interest and debt redemption
42 charges, capital improvement fund and public assistance).

43 It is the intent of the sponsor that increasing that percentage from
44 26.25% to 35% will allow counties and municipalities to more
45 easily accommodate their required pension contributions, which
46 must be made in April of each year, into their temporary budgets.

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.