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**LOCAL FINANCE NOTICE**CHRISTIE TODD WHITMAN  
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ACTING DIRECTOR**AMENDED DATES - MUNICIPAL CLERKS RECERTIFICATION LAW**  
P.L. 1998, C. 27

Registered Municipal Clerks (RMCs) were notified in Local Finance Notice MC-98-3 (3/19/98) about the passage of P.L. 1997, C. 279, which amended N.J.S.A. 40A:9-133 et seq. Among other items, the amending legislation requires RMCs to renew their certification every two years by obtaining 20 hours of continuing education credit.

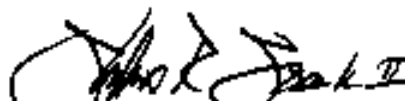
In that Notice, RMCs were also notified that the amendments had passed with incorrect dates, and changes had been proposed to correct these. On June 29, 1998, P.L. 1998, C. 27 was signed into law amending the dates in question. The new law made several changes.

First, applicants for RMC certification exams administered after **December 31, 2000**, must submit proof of completion of the new course **Municipal Finance Administration for Municipal Clerks** as opposed to the current course, **Municipal Finance Administration**. Applicants for exams administered prior to that date can still utilize the current course.

Second, in regard to the due dates for renewal of RMC certificates, all certificates issued prior to October 1, 1998, are due to expire on September 30, 2000. Those certificates issued after October 1, 1998, shall expire two years from the date of original issue.

Finally, as a reminder, the statute provides for a six month grace period for those certificates which are not renewed by the expiration date. However, an additional fee of \$50, above the normal fee, is required for utilizing the grace period.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the Certification Unit of the Division at (609) 292-9757.



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