Language Provisions

This section includes the General Language provisions which provides certain restrictions on the use of State and Federal Fund appropriations.
FEDERAL PROVISIONS

Notwithstanding the provisions of any State law or regulation to the contrary, no State agency shall accept or expend federal funds except as appropriated by the Legislature or otherwise provided in this act.

In addition to the federal funds appropriated in this act, there are appropriated the following federal funds, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting: emergency disaster aid funds including grants for preventive measures; pass-through grants to political subdivisions of the State over which the State is not permitted to exercise discretion in the use or distribution of the funds and for which no State matching funds are required; the first 25% of unanticipated grant awards, and up to 25% of increases in previously anticipated grant awards for which no State matching funds are required except, for the purpose of this section, federal funds received by one executive agency that are ultimately expended by another executive agency shall not be considered pass-through grants; federal financial aid funds for students attending post-secondary educational institutions in excess of the amount specifically appropriated, and any such grants intended to prevent threats to homeland security up to 100% of previously anticipated or unanticipated grant award amounts for which no State matching funds are required, provided however, that the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting shall notify the Legislative Budget and Finance Officer of such grants; and all other grants of $500,000 or less.

For the purposes of federal funds appropriations, “political subdivisions of the State” means counties, municipalities, school districts, or agencies thereof, regional, county or municipal authorities, or districts other than interstate authorities or districts; “discretion” refers to any action in which an agency may determine either the amount of funds to be allocated or the recipient of the allocation; and “grants” refers to one-time, or time limited awards, which are received pursuant to submission of a grant application in competition with other grant applications.

The unexpended balances at the end of the preceding fiscal year of federal funds are appropriated for the same purposes. The Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting shall inform the Legislative Budget and Finance Officer by November 1, 2012 of any unexpended balances which are continued.

Out of the appropriations herein, the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting is empowered to approve payments to liquidate any unrecorded liabilities for materials delivered or services rendered in prior fiscal years, upon the written recommendations of any department head or the department head’s designated representative. The Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting shall reject any recommendations for payment which the Director deems improper.

The sum herein appropriated to the Department of Transportation for the Hudson-Bergen Light Rail Transit System is hereby appropriated, to the extent necessary, to pay the principal of and interest on the grant anticipation notes issued by the New Jersey Transit Corporation.

In order to permit flexibility in the handling of appropriations and ensure the timely payment of claims to providers of medical services, amounts may be transferred to and from the various items of appropriation within the General Medical Services program classification, and within the federal matching funding, in the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services and Division of Disability Services in the Department of Human Services, and within the Medical Services for the Aged program classification, and within the federal matching funding, in the Division of Senior Services in the Department of Health and Senior Services, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting. Notice thereof shall be provided to the Legislative Budget and Finance Officer on the effective date of the approved transfer.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any law, regulation or Executive Order to the contrary, any purchase by the State or by a State agency or local government unit of equipment, goods or services related to homeland security and domestic preparedness, that is paid for or reimbursed by federal funds awarded by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security or other federal agency, appropriated in the current fiscal year, may be made through the receipt of public bids or as an alternative to public bidding and subject to the provisions of this paragraph, through direct purchase without advertising for bids or rejecting bids already received but not awarded. The equipment, goods or services purchased by a local government unit shall be referred to in the grant agreement issued by the State administrative agency administering such funds and shall be authorized by resolution of the governing body of the local government unit entering into the grant agreement. Such resolution may, without subsequent action of the local governing body, simultaneously accept the grant from the State administrative agency, authorize the insertion of the revenue and offsetting appropriation in the budget of the local government unit, and authorize the contracting agent of the local government unit to procure the equipment, goods or services. A copy of such resolution shall be filed with the chief financial officer of the local government unit, the State administrative agency and the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs. Purchases made without public bidding shall be from vendors that shall either (1) be holders of a current State contract for the equipment, goods or services sought, or (2) be participating in a federal procurement program established by a federal department or agency, or (3) have been approved by the State Treasurer in consultation with the New Jersey Domestic Security Preparedness Task Force. All homeland security purchases herein shall continue to be subject to all grant requirements and conditions approved by the State administrative agency. The Director of the Division of Purchase and Property may enter into or participate in purchasing agreements with one or more other states, or political subdivisions or compact agencies thereof, for the purchase of such equipment, goods or services, using monies appropriated under this act, to meet the domestic preparedness and homeland security needs of this State. Such purchasing agreement may provide for the sharing of costs and the methods of payments relating to such purchases. Furthermore, a county government awarding a contract for Homeland Security equipment, goods or services, may, with the approval of the vendor, extend the terms and conditions of the contract to any other county government that wants to purchase under that contract, subject to notice and documentation requirements issued by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

Of the amounts appropriated for Income Maintenance Management, amounts may be transferred to the various departments in accordance with the Division of Family Development’s agreements, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting. Any unobligated balances remaining from funds transferred to the departments shall be transferred back to the Division of Family Development subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, in addition to the federal funds hereinabove appropriated, there are appropriated to the appropriate executive agencies, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting, such additional federal funds received during this fiscal year pursuant to any federal law authorizing a federal economic stimulus program or any other similar federal program for the purposes, projects, and programs set forth in such law; provided, however, that if the federal law does not delineate the specific purposes, projects, and programs to be funded by the federal funds, the purposes, projects, and programs to be funded by the federal funds shall be
subject to the approval of the Joint Budget Oversight Committee, and further provided, however, that the State Treasurer shall report to the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the General Assembly, the Chair of the Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee, and the Chair of the Assembly Budget Committee at least quarterly on the receipt and utilization of all additional federal funds received during this fiscal year pursuant to any federal law authorizing a federal economic stimulus program.

Officials from the appropriate executive agencies are hereby authorized to take such steps, if any, as may be necessary to qualify for, apply for, receive and expend such federal funds and to make such commitments, representations and other agreements as may be required by the federal government to receive federal funds under federal law authorizing the federal economic stimulus program or any other similar federal law. Furthermore, and notwithstanding any other law or regulation to the contrary, officials from the appropriate executive agencies may encumber any of these federal funds appropriated pursuant to this provision prior to entering into any contract, grant or other agreement obligating the federal funds, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law or regulation to the contrary, federal funds provided under the State Energy Program (SEP) and the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program (Block Grant Program), pursuant to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, Pub.L. 111-5 and any other similar type of federal stimulus law which may be hereinafter enacted (collectively referred to as ARRA), are appropriated. Subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting as set forth below, such appropriations are to include the administrative costs of the respective agencies in administering the specified programs provided such use is consistent with ARRA and federal approvals. In the event that the administrative costs are not permitted to be paid from the ARRA monies received by the State, there is hereby appropriated from the Clean Energy Fund, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting such sums as shall be necessary to pay for the administrative costs of the agencies administering the specified programs listed below. Notwithstanding the specific appropriations made below, in the event that the federal funds received under ARRA are not in their entirety or in part allocated to the specific purposes listed below, to permit flexibility in the handling of appropriations, amounts may be transferred to and from the various items of the appropriations listed below or may be used for such other purposes permitted under ARRA subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting and upon the recommendation of the State Treasurer. The federal funds provided pursuant to ARRA with respect to the SEP shall be used only for purposes allowed under part D of Title III of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6321 et seq.), and the federal funds provided pursuant to ARRA with respect to the Block Grant Program shall be used only for implementation of programs authorized under subtitle E of Title V of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (42 U.S.C. 1751 et seq.). With respect to all federal funds which are appropriated pursuant to this provision, NJEDA, HMFA, the Office of Energy Savings and the BPU shall prepare and timely submit to the United States Department of Energy (USDOE) the reports required under subsection (c) of section 1512 of Pub.L. 111-5, including without limitation the detailed information required with respect to all projects or activities for which such federal funds were expended or obligated.

a. SEP. SEP monies received by the State under ARRA are hereby appropriated to the Clean Energy Fund and shall be allocated by the Board of Public Utilities (“BPU”) as follows. The BPU shall enter into memoranda of understanding with the applicable agencies listed below which memoranda of understanding shall provide for the transfer of such monies to the applicable agencies for the purposes listed below.

1. $14,216,606 to the New Jersey Economic Development Authority (NJEDA) for a grant and loan program to be developed and administered by the NJEDA to fund public and private renewable energy, energy efficiency and alternative energy projects, with applications prioritized based on the ability to create jobs, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, save or create energy, and provide for innovative technology;

2. $20,187,801 for a program to be developed and administered by the BPU for grants to State departments, agencies, authorities and public colleges and universities for renewable and energy efficiency projects at such entities, including but not limited to, wind, solar, or hydro energy, biofuels, geothermal, and energy storage applications, with applications prioritized by an interagency evaluation team consisting of one representative each from each of the following, BPU, NJEDA, Office of Economic Growth, New Jersey Commission on Science and Technology, and the Office of Energy Savings, based on the ability to create jobs, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, save or create energy, and provide for innovative technology;

3. $9,110,306.50 to the New Jersey Housing Mortgage Finance Agency (HMFA) for a program to be developed and administered by the HMFA to provide financing for the construction of solar energy projects on qualified multi-family housing financed through the HMFA, such funds to be leveraged with existing State energy rebate programs and the federal investment tax credit, with grants prioritized based on the ability to create jobs, generate energy, provide benefits to property residents and to meet HMFA timeframes, and with HMFA retaining ownership of all related solar renewable energy certificates for the purpose of establishing a revolving fund to support additional solar energy projects at HMFA-supported residential properties;

4. $1,331,402 to the HMFA for a low-interest loan program to be developed and administered by the HMFA for energy efficiency upgrades at single-family and multi-family facilities that are at or below 250% of the area median income (the higher of statewide or county median income) based on a family of four, and affordable multi-family housing owners which meet HMFA’s affordability requirements, and which are not eligible for equivalent financing programs offered by the utilities or the Clean Energy Program;

5. $15,500,870.50 to the Clean Energy Program for energy efficiency programs administered by the BPU, to be issued to public and private entities on a first-come, first-served basis and specifically targeting customers who are either not currently eligible for Clean Energy Fund incentives or whose energy consumption patterns do not make them likely applicants;

6. $6,328,000 to the Office of Energy Savings in the New Jersey Department of the Treasury for the purposes of energy efficiency and renewable energy programs and projects in State facilities, including State offices, State health facilities and State prisons;

7. $4,871,651 to the State Energy Office for implementing energy conservation measures in State-owned and operated facilities; and

8. $2,093,363 for grants administered by the BPU to State departments, agencies, authorities and public colleges and universities for energy efficient equipment purposes which will reduce energy demand and greenhouse gas emissions by replacing aging, energy intensive equipment with new, more efficient models.

In the event that any of the SEP monies appropriated pursuant to the preceding paragraph are not expended by the date required by the USDOE, the appropriations of such funds pursuant to the preceding paragraph are hereby cancelled, and such unexpended funds are hereby appropriated, subject to the approval of the USDOE and the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting to the New Jersey Department of the Treasury.
to establish a revolving energy efficiency project fund ("Energy Efficiency Project Fund") for the purposes of funding energy efficiency and renewable energy programs and projects in State facilities, including but not limited to State offices, State health facilities and State prisons. The monies appropriated from the Energy Efficiency Project Fund shall be repaid to the Energy Efficiency Project Fund by the department receiving such monies as follows: of the amounts hereinabove appropriated in this Act to each department receiving monies from the Energy Efficiency Project Fund, there is hereby appropriated for deposit in the Energy Efficiency Project Fund an amount equivalent to the annual repayment due to the Energy Efficiency Project Fund or the actual savings achieved, whichever is greater.

b. Block Grant Program. Block Grant monies received by the State under ARRA are hereby appropriated as follows: (1) $4,160,700 to the Office of Energy Savings in the New Jersey Department of the Treasury for the purposes of energy efficiency and renewable energy programs and projects in State facilities, including State offices, State health facilities and State prisons; and (2) $10,240,000 to the BPU for grants to cities, counties and other local units of government which are not eligible to receive directly from the federal government funds under the Block Grant Program. Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, the Department of Labor and Workforce Development shall consider consistent with applicable federal law a formal association of community based organizations to be a “local consortium” for the purposes of receiving funding for the delivery of English as a Second Language or Civics education/training.

In order to permit flexibility in the handling of appropriations and ensure the timely payment of claims to providers of medical services, amounts may be transferred among accounts in the Child Integrated System of Care Services program classification. Amounts may also be transferred to and from various items of appropriation within the General Medical Services program classification of the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services in the Department of Human Services and the Child Integrated System of Care Services program classification in the Department of Children and Families. All such transfers are subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting. Notice thereof shall be provided to the Legislative Budget and Finance Officer on the effective date of the approved transfer.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, in order to permit flexibility in the management of federal grant funds, amounts appropriated or transferred from such federal funds to State departments as subgrantees of other State departments may be transferred back to an item of appropriation in the original grant recipient department upon completion of the funded activity, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting. Notice thereof shall be provided to the Legislative Budget and Finance Officer on the effective date of the approved transfer.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

All dedicated funds are hereby appropriated for their dedicated purposes. There are appropriated, subject to allotment by the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting and with the approval of the Legislative Budget and Finance Officer, private contributions, revolving funds and dedicated funds received, receivable or estimated to be received for the use of the State or its agencies in excess of those anticipated, unless otherwise provided herein. The unexpended balances at the end of the preceding fiscal year of such funds, or any portion thereof, are appropriated, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting. In the event a person or entity wishes to make a monetary donation to the State for a particular purpose, the head of the State agency or department to which such monetary donation is made is hereby authorized to accept such monetary donation.

There are appropriated, subject to allotment by the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting, the following: sums required to refund amounts credited to the State Treasury which do not represent State revenue; sums received representing insurance to cover losses by fire and other casualties and the unexpended balance at the end of the preceding fiscal year of such sums; sums received by any State department or agency from the sale of equipment, when such sums are received in lieu of trade-in value in the replacement of such equipment; and sums received in the State Treasury representing refunds of payments made from appropriations provided in this Act.

There are appropriated, subject to allotment by the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting, sums required to satisfy receivables previously established from which non-reimbursable costs and ineligible expenditures have been incurred.

There are appropriated, subject to allotment by the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting, from federal or other non-State sources amounts not to exceed the cost of services necessary to document and support retroactive claims.

There are appropriated such sums as may be required to pay interest liabilities to the federal government as required by the Treasury/State agreement pursuant to the provisions of the “Cash Management Improvement Act of 1990,” Pub. L. 101–453 (31 U.S.C. s.6501 et seq.), subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

There are appropriated, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting, from interest earnings of the various bond funds such sums as may be necessary for the State to comply with the federal “Tax Reform Act of 1986,” Pub. L. 99–514 (26 U.S.C. s.1 et seq. as amended), which requires issuers of tax-exempt debt obligations to rebate any arbitrage earnings to the federal government.

There are appropriated from the General Fund, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting, such sums as are necessary to pay interest, at the average rate of earnings during the fiscal year from the State’s general investments, to those bond funds that have borrowed money from the General Fund or other bond funds and that have insufficient resources to accrue and pay the interest expense on such borrowing.

In addition to the amounts appropriated hereinabove, such additional sums as may be necessary are appropriated to fund the costs of the collection of debts, taxes and other fees and charges owed to the State, including but not limited to the services of auditors and attorneys and enhanced compliance programs, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

There are appropriated from the Legal Services Trust Fund established pursuant to section 6 of P.L.1996, c. 52 (C.22A:2-51), for transfer to the General Fund as State revenue such funds as are necessary to support the appropriations for the following programs contained in this Act: Legal Services of New Jersey grant, ten judgeships in the Judiciary, and for Clinical Legal Programs for the Poor at the Rutgers–Camden Law School, the Rutgers–Newark Law School, and Seton Hall Law School.

The unexpended balances at the end of the preceding fiscal year in the accounts of the several departments and agencies heretofore appropriated or established in the category of Additions, Improvements and Equipment are appropriated, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

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The unexpended balances at the end of the preceding fiscal year in the Capital Construction accounts for all departments and agencies are appropriated, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

Unless otherwise provided, unexpended balances at the end of the preceding fiscal year in accounts of appropriations enacted subsequent to April 1 of the preceding fiscal year, are appropriated.

The unexpended balances at the end of the preceding fiscal year in accounts that are funded by Interfund Transfers are appropriated, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

Notwithstanding any provisions in this act or the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, no unexpended balances at the end of the preceding fiscal year are appropriated without the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting, except that the Legislative Branch of State government shall be exempt from this provision. The Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting shall notify the Legislative Budget and Finance Officer of those instances in which unexpended balances are not appropriated pursuant to this section.

The administrative costs of the Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) and the Medicaid Administrative Claiming (MAC) program, including the participation of a consultant, are appropriated and shall be paid from the revenue received, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

The following transfer of appropriations rules are in effect for the current fiscal year:

a. To permit flexibility in the handling of appropriations, any department or agency that receives an appropriation by law, may, subject to the provisions of this section, or unless otherwise provided in this act, apply to the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting for permission to transfer funds from one item of appropriation to a different item of appropriation. For the purposes of this section, “item of appropriation” means the spending authority identified by an organization code, appropriation source, and program code, unique to the item. If the director consents to the transfer, the amount transferred shall be credited by the director to the designated item of appropriation and notice thereof shall be provided to the Legislative Budget and Finance Officer on the effective date of the approved transfer. However, the director, after consenting thereto, shall submit the following transfer requests to the Legislative Budget and Finance Officer for legislative approval or disapproval unless otherwise provided in this act:

1. Requests for the transfer of State and other non-federal funds, in amounts greater than $300,000, to or from any item of appropriation;

2. Requests for the transfer of State and other nonfederal funds, in amounts greater than $50,000, to or from any Special Purpose account, as defined by major object 5, or Grant account, as defined by major object 6, within an item of appropriation, from or to a different item of appropriation;

3. Requests for the transfer of State and other nonfederal funds, in amounts greater than $50,000, to or from any Special Purpose or Grant account in which the identifying organization code, appropriation source, and program code, remain the same, provided that the transfer would effect a change in the legislative intent of the appropriations;

4. Requests for the transfer of State funds, in amounts greater than $50,000, between items of appropriation in different departments or between items of appropriation in different appropriation classifications herein entitled as Direct State Services, Grants- In- Aid, State Aid, Capital Construction and Debt Service;

5. Requests for the transfer of federal funds, in amounts greater than $300,000, from one item of appropriation to another item of appropriation, if the amount of the transfer to an item in combination with the amount of the appropriation to that item would result in an amount in excess of the appropriation authority for that item, as defined by the program class;

6. Requests for such other transfers as are appropriate in order to ensure compliance with the legislative intent of this act.

b. The Joint Budget Oversight Committee or its successor may review all transfer requests submitted for legislative approval and may direct the Legislative Budget and Finance Officer to approve or disapprove any such transfer request. Transfers submitted for legislative approval pursuant to paragraph (4) of subsection a. of this section shall be made only if approved by the Legislative Budget and Finance Officer at the direction of the committee.

c. The Legislative Budget and Finance Officer shall approve or disapprove requests for the transfer of funds submitted for legislative approval within 10 working days of the physical receipt thereof and shall return them to the director. If any provision of this act or any supplement thereto requires the Legislative Budget and Finance Officer to approve or disapprove requests for the transfer of funds, the request shall be deemed to be approved by the Legislative Budget and Finance Officer if, within 20 working days of the physical receipt of the request, he has not disapproved the request and so notified the requesting officer. However, this time period shall not pertain to any transfer request under review by the Joint Budget Oversight Committee or its successor, provided notice of such review has been given to the director.

d. No amount appropriated for any capital improvement shall be used for any temporary purpose except extraordinary snow removal or extraordinary transportation maintenance, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting. However, an amount from any appropriation for an item of capital improvement may be transferred to any other item of capital improvement subject to the approval of the director, and, if in an amount greater than $300,000, subject to the approval of the Legislative Budget and Finance Officer.

e. The provisions of subsections a. through d. of this section shall not apply to appropriations made to the Legislative or Judicial branches of State government. To permit flexibility in the handling of these appropriations, amounts may be transferred to and from the various items of appropriation by the appropriate officer or designee with notification given to the director on the effective date thereof.

f. Notwithstanding any provisions of this section to the contrary, transfers to and from the Special Purpose appropriation to the Governor for emergency or necessity under the Other Interdepartmental Accounts program classification and transfers from the appropriations to the various accounts in the category of Salary Increases and Other Benefits, both in the Interdepartmental Accounts, shall not be subject to legislative approval or disapproval.
The Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting shall make such correction of the title, text or account number of an appropriation necessary to make such appropriation available in accordance with legislative intent. Such correction shall be by written ruling, reciting in appropriate detail the facts thereof, and reasons therefore, attested by the signature of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting and filed in the Division of Budget and Accounting of the Department of the Treasury as an official record thereof, and any action thereunder, including disbursement and the audit thereof, shall be legally binding and of full force and virtue. An official copy of each such written ruling shall be transmitted to the Legislative Budget and Finance Officer, upon the effective date of the ruling.

The Legislative Budget and Finance Officer with the cooperation and assistance of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting is authorized to adjust this appropriations bill to reflect any reorganizations which have been implemented since the presentation of the Governor’s Budget Message and Recommendations that were proposed for this fiscal year.

None of the funds appropriated to the Executive Branch of State government for Information Processing, Development, Telecommunications, and Related Services and Equipment shall be available to pay for any of these services or equipment without the review of the Office of Information Technology, and compliance with statewide policies and standards and an approved department Information Technology Strategic Plan.

If the sum provided in this act for a State aid payment pursuant to formula is insufficient to meet the full requirements of the formula, all recipients of State aid shall have their allocation proportionately reduced, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

When the duties or responsibilities of any department or branch, except for the Legislature and any of its agencies, are transferred to any other department or branch, it shall be the duty of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting and the director is hereby empowered to transfer funds appropriated for the maintenance and operation of any such department or branch to such department or branch as shall be charged with the responsibility of administering the functions so transferred. The Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting shall have the authority to create such new accounts as may be necessary to carry out the intent of the transfer. Information copies of such transfers shall be transmitted to the Legislative Budget and Finance Officer upon the effective date thereof. If such transfers may be required among appropriations made to the Legislature and its agencies, the Legislative Budget and Finance Officer, subject to the approval of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the General Assembly, is hereby empowered and it shall be that officer’s duty to effect such transactions hereinabove described and to notify the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting upon the effective date thereof.

The Governor is empowered to direct the State Treasurer to transfer from any State department to any other State department such sums as may be necessary for the cost of any emergency occasioned by aggression, civil disturbance, sabotage, or disaster. In addition, there are appropriated such additional sums as may be necessary for emergency repairs and reconstruction of State facilities or property, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting and the Joint Budget Oversight Committee. Appropriations referred to the Joint Budget Oversight Committee shall be deemed approved, unless a resolution of disapproval is adopted within 10 working days of receipt of notification of the proposed appropriation.

Upon request of any department receiving non-State funds, the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting is empowered to transfer such funds from that department to other departments as may be charged with the responsibility for the expenditure thereof.

The Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting is empowered to transfer or credit appropriations to any State agency for services provided, or to be provided, by that agency to any other agency or department; provided further, however, that funds have been appropriated or allocated to such agency or department for the purpose of purchasing these services.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, should appropriations in the Property Tax Relief Fund exceed available revenues, the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting is authorized to transfer General Fund unreserved, undesignated fund balances into the Property Tax Relief Fund, providing unreserved, undesignated fund balances are available from the General Fund, as determined by the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, should appropriations in the Casino Revenue Fund exceed available revenues, the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting is authorized to transfer General Fund unreserved, undesignated fund balances into the Casino Revenue Fund, providing unreserved, undesignated fund balances are available from the General Fund, as determined by the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

Notwithstanding the provisions of P.L.1954, c.48 (C.52:34-6 et seq.), sums appropriated for services for the various State departments and agencies may be expended for the purchase of contract services from the New Jersey Sea Grant Consortium as if it were a State government agency pursuant to subsection (a) of section 5 of P.L.1954, c.48 (C.52:34-10).

Out of the amounts hereinafter appropriated, the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting is empowered to approve payment of obligations applicable to prior fiscal years, upon the written recommendation of any department head, or the department head’s designated representative. The Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting shall reject any recommendations for payment which the Director deems improper.

Whenever any county, municipality, school district or a political subdivision thereof withholds funds from a State agency, or causes a State agency to make payment on behalf of a county, municipality, school district or a political subdivision thereof, then the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting may withhold State aid payments and transfer the same as payment for such funds, as the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting shall determine.
The Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting is empowered to establish revolving and dedicated funds as required. Notice of the establishment of such funds shall be transmitted to the Legislative Budget and Finance Officer upon the effective date thereof.

The Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting may, upon application therefore, allot from appropriations made to any official, department, commission or board, a sum to establish a petty cash fund for the payment of expenses under rules and regulations established by the director. Allotments thus made by the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting shall be paid to such person as shall be designated as the custodian thereof by the official, department, commission or board making a request therefore, and the money thus allotted shall be disbursed by such custodian who shall require a receipt therefore from all persons obtaining money from the fund. The director shall make regulations governing disbursement from petty cash funds.

From appropriations to the various departments of State government, the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting is empowered to transfer sums sufficient to pay any obligation due and owing in any other department or agency.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, the State Treasurer may transfer from any fund in the State Treasurer’s custody, from appropriations to the various departments of State government, the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting is empowered to transfer any such transfer shall be restored out of the taxes or other revenue received in the Treasury in support of this act. Except for transfers from the several funds established pursuant to statutes that provide for interest earnings to accrue to those funds, all such transfers shall be without interest. If the statute provides for interest earnings, it shall be calculated at the average rate of earnings during the fiscal year from the State’s general investments and such sums as are necessary shall be appropriated, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

Any qualifying State aid appropriation, or part thereof, made from the General Fund may be transferred and recorded as an appropriation from the Property Tax Relief Fund, as determined by the State Treasurer, is sufficient to support the expenditure.

Notification of the provisions of this act, the State Treasurer, upon warrant of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting, shall pay any claim not exceeding $4,000 out of any appropriations made to the several departments, provided such claim is recommended for payment by the head of such department. The Legislative Budget and Finance Officer shall be notified of the amount and description of any such claim at the time such payment is made. Any claimant who has presented a claim not exceeding $4,000, which has been denied or not recommended by the head of such department, shall be prejudiced from presenting said claim to the Legislature for consideration.

Unless otherwise provided, federal grant and project receipts representing reimbursement for agency and central support services, indirect and administrative costs, as determined by the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting, shall be transmitted to the Department of the Treasury for credit to the General Fund; provided, however, that a portion of the indirect and administrative cost recoveries received which are in excess of the amount anticipated may be reclassified into a dedicated account and returned to State departments and agencies, as determined by the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting, who shall notify the Legislative Budget and Finance Officer of the amount of such funds returned, the departments or agencies receiving such funds and the purpose for which such funds will be used, within 10 working days of any such transaction. Such receipts shall be forwarded to the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting upon completion of the project or at the end of the fiscal year, whichever occurs earlier.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, each local school district that participates in the Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) shall receive a percentage of the federal revenue realized for current year claims. The percentage share shall be 17.5% of claims approved by the State by June 30.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, each local school district that participates in the Medicaid Administrative Claiming (MAC) initiative shall receive a percentage of the federal revenue realized for current year claims. The percentage share shall be 17.5% of claims approved by the State by June 30.

Notwithstanding the provisions of P.L.1943, c.188 (C.52:14-17.1 et seq.), the rate of reimbursement for mileage allowed for employees traveling by personal automobile on official business shall be $3.11 per mile.

State agencies shall prepare and submit a copy of their agency or departmental budget requests for the next ensuing fiscal year to the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting by the deadline and in the manner required by the Director. In addition, State agencies shall prepare and submit a copy of their spending plans involving all State, federal and other non-State funds to the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting and the Legislative Budget and Finance Officer by November 1, and updated spending plans on February 1 and May 1 of this fiscal year. The spending plans shall account for any changes in departmental spending which differ from this appropriations act and all supplements to this act. The spending plans shall be submitted on forms specified by the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

The Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting shall provide the Legislative Budget and Finance Officer with copies of all BB-4s, Application for non-State Funds, and accompanying project proposals or grant applications, which require a State match and that may commit or require State support after the grant’s expiration.

In order to provide effective cash flow management for revenues and expenditures of the General Fund and the Property Tax Relief Fund in the implementation of this annual appropriations act, there are appropriated from the General Fund such sums as may be required to pay the principal of and interest on tax and revenue anticipation notes including notes in the form of commercial paper (hereinafter collectively referred to as short-term notes), together with any costs or obligations relating to the issuance thereof or contracts related thereto, according to the terms set forth hereinabove. Provided further that, to the extent that short-term notes are issued for cash flow management purposes in connection with the Property Tax Relief Fund, there are appropriated from the Property Tax Relief Fund such sums as may be required to pay the principal of those short-term notes. The State Treasurer is authorized to issue short-term notes, which notes shall not constitute a general obligation of the State or a debt or a liability within the meaning of the State Constitution, and the State Treasurer is authorized to pay any costs or obligations relating to the issuance of such short-term notes or contracts relating thereto. Such short-term notes shall be issued in such amounts and at such times as the State Treasurer shall deem necessary for the above stated purposes and for the payment of related costs, and on such terms and conditions, sold in such manner and at such prices, bearing interest at such fixed or variable rate or rates, renewable at such time or times, and entitled to such security, and using such paying
Notwithstanding the provisions of section 39 of P.L.1994, c.303 (C.52:27H-88), or any law or regulation to the contrary, interest earned in the current year in the Tobacco Settlement Fund, created and established in the Department of the Treasury, as a separate non-lapsing fund pursuant to section 53 of P.L.1990, c.44 (C.52:9H-14 et seq.), shall be deemed available in the Tobacco Settlement Fund for the purpose of promoting awareness to increase compliance with the public access law. Balances in the Tobacco Settlement Fund shall be deposited in such depositories as the State Treasurer may select. Amounts transferred from the Tobacco Settlement Fund to the General Fund as anticipated revenue shall be excluded when calculating deposits to the Surplus Revenue Fund pursuant to P.L.1990, c.44 (C.52:9H-14 et seq.).

Notwithstanding the provisions of section 29 of P.L.1998, c.303 (C.52:27H-88), or any law or regulation to the contrary, there is appropriated from the Tobacco Settlement Fund $65,705,000 for transfer to the General Fund in order that the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting may determine. The unexpended balances at the end of the preceding fiscal year in the Tobacco Settlement Fund are appropriated. The Tobacco Settlement Fund shall be the repository for payments made by the tobacco manufacturers pursuant to the settlement agreement entered into by the tobacco manufacturers and the State on November 23, 1998 that resolved the State’s pending claims against the tobacco industry and all other monies, including interest earnings on balances in the fund, credited or transferred thereto from any other fund or source pursuant to law.

In all cases in which language authorizes the appropriation of additional receipts not to exceed a specific amount, and the specific amount is insufficient to cover the amount due for fringe benefits and indirect costs, there are appropriated from receipts such additional amounts as are required to fully cover the amount due for fringe benefits and indirect costs, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting. The proceeds derived from any structured financing transaction, such sums as may be necessary to satisfy any obligation incurred in connection with any structured financing agreement, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting. In addition, there are appropriated such sums as may be necessary to pay costs incurred in connection with any proposed structured financing transaction, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any departmental language or statute, receipts in excess of those anticipated or appropriated as provided in the Departmental Revenue Statements (BB-103s) in the budget submission for this fiscal year are not available for expenditure until a comprehensive expenditure plan is submitted to and approved by the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting. Such sums as may be necessary are appropriated or transferred from existing appropriations for the purpose of promoting awareness to increase participation in programs that are administered by the State, including but not limited to programs to preserve or promote public health and safety, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting. In addition, there are appropriated such additional sums as may be required to pay the amount of any civil penalty imposed on a State officer, employee or custodian pursuant to section 12 of P.L.2001, c.404 (C.47:1A-11), as recommended by the Attorney General and as the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting shall determine.

Receipts derived from the provision of copies and other materials related to compliance with section 12 of P.L.2001, c.404 (C.47:1A-11), are appropriated for the purpose of offsetting agency and departmental expenses of complying with the public access law, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, there is appropriated from the Universal Service Fund $65,705,000 for transfer to the General Fund as State revenue. Any qualifying State aid or Grants-In-Aid appropriation, or part thereof, made from the General Fund may be transferred and recorded as an appropriation from the Casino Revenue Fund, as deemed necessary by the State Treasurer, in order that the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting may determine. The unexpended balances at the end of the preceding fiscal year in the Tobacco Settlement Fund are appropriated. The Tobacco Settlement Fund shall be the repository for payments made by the tobacco manufacturers pursuant to the settlement agreement entered into by the tobacco manufacturers and the State on November 23, 1998 that resolved the State’s pending claims against the tobacco industry and all other monies, including interest earnings on balances in the fund, credited or transferred thereto from any other fund or source pursuant to law. Balances in the Tobacco Settlement Fund shall be deposited in such depositories as the State Treasurer may select. Amounts transferred from the Tobacco Settlement Fund to the General Fund as anticipated revenue shall be excluded when calculating deposits to the Surplus Revenue Fund pursuant to P.L.1990, c.44 (C.52:9H-14 et seq.).

In addition, there are appropriated such sums as may be necessary to pay costs incurred in connection with any proposed structured financing transaction, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

Providing that the contributions made during the current fiscal year by the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey and its affiliates to the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey Self-Insurance Reserve Fund is equal to the amount established in a memorandum of agreement between the Department of the Treasury and the University, and, if after such amount having been contributed, the receipts deposited within the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey’s Self-Insurance Reserve Fund are insufficient to pay claims expenditures, there is appropriated from the General Fund to the Self-Insurance Reserve Fund such sums as may be necessary to pay the remaining claims, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

In addition to any amounts hereinabove appropriated to pay debt service on bonds, notes and other obligations by the various independent authorities, payment of which is to be made by the State subject to appropriation pursuant to a contract with the State Treasurer or pursuant to a lease with a State department, there are hereby appropriated such additional sums as the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting shall determine are required to pay all amounts due from the State pursuant to such contracts or leases, as applicable.

Such sums as may be required to initiate the implementation of information systems development or modification during the current fiscal year to support fees, fines or other revenue enhancements, or to initiate cost savings or budget efficiencies that are to be implemented during the subsequent fiscal year, and that are proposed in the Governor’s Budget Message and Recommendations for the subsequent fiscal year, shall be transferred between appropriate accounts, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, no funding shall be provided by any program supported in part or in whole by State funding for erectile dysfunction medications for individuals who are registered on New Jersey’s Sex Offender Registry.

For the purposes of the “State Appropriations Limitation Act,” P.L.1990, c.94 (C.52:9H-24 et seq.), the amounts appropriated to the developmental centers in the Department of Human Services due to opportunities for increased recoveries, amounts carried forward in the State Employees’ Health Benefits accounts, and amounts representing balances deemed available in the State Health Benefits Fund shall be deemed a “Base Year Appropriation.”
The amounts hereinabove appropriated for employee fringe benefits in Interdepartmental Direct State Services and Grants-in-Aid; Department of Education State Aid; and Department of the Treasury State Aid may be transferred between accounts for the same purposes, as the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting shall determine.

Notwithstanding the provisions of P.L.2004, c.68 (C.34:1B-21.16 et seq.) or any law or regulation to the contrary, funds remaining in the Dedicated Cigarette Tax Revenue Fund at the end of the current fiscal year are appropriated from such fund for transfer to the General Fund as State revenue. Unless otherwise provided in this act, all unexpended balances at the end of the preceding fiscal year that are appropriated by this act are appropriated for the same purpose.

Notwithstanding the provisions of section 14 of Article 3 of P.L.1944, c.112 (C.52:27B-23) or any law or regulation to the contrary, copies of the budget message shall be made available to the State library, public libraries, newspapers and citizens of the State only through the State of New Jersey website.

There are appropriated such sums as are necessary, not to exceed $750,000, to fund costs incurred by the State, including attorneys’ costs, in connection with arbitration/litigation relating to claims by participating tobacco manufacturers that they are entitled to reductions in payments they make under the Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

The Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting is empowered and it shall be the director’s duty in the disbursement of funds for payment of expenses classified as debt service, to credit or transfer among the various departments, as applicable, out of funds appropriated or credited thereto for debt service payments, such sums as may be required to cover the costs of such payment attributable to debt service or to reimburse the various departments for reductions made representing Statewide savings resulting from bond retirements or defeasances in debt service accounts, as the director shall determine. If the director consents to the transfer, the amount transferred shall be credited by the director to the designated item of appropriation and notice thereof shall be provided to the Legislative Budget and Finance Officer on the effective date of the approved transfer.

The unexpended balances at the end of the preceding fiscal year in accounts that provide matching State funds in the various departments and agencies are appropriated in order to provide State authority to match federal grants that have project periods extending beyond the current State fiscal year.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, it is not possible in Fiscal Year 2013 to appropriate monies to fund all programs authorized or required by statute. As a result, the Governor’s Budget Message and Recommendations for Fiscal Year 2013 recommended, and the Legislature agrees, that either no State funding or less than the statutorily required amount be appropriated for certain of these statutory programs. To the extent that these or other statutory programs have not received all or some appropriations for Fiscal Year 2013 in this Appropriations Act which would be required to carry out these statutory programs, such lack of appropriations represents the intent of the Legislature to suspend in full or in part the operation of the statutory programs, including any statutorily imposed restrictions or limitations on the collection of State revenue that is related to the funding of those programs.

Notwithstanding the provisions of section 21 of P.L.1983, c.303 (C.52:27H-80), or any other law or regulation to the contrary, crediting of revenues to each account for each enterprise zone in the Enterprise Zone Assistance Fund shall be reduced by the amount of revenues credited from the General Fund into a special account in the Property Tax Relief Fund pursuant to Article VIII, Section I, paragraph 7b of the New Jersey Constitution derived from sales tax collected in such enterprise zone.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law or regulation to the contrary, there is appropriated as revenue to the General Fund the unexpended balances in the portion of the Enterprise Zone Assistance Fund designated for the State costs for administering the Urban Enterprise Zone program, as defined by section 29 of P.L.1983, c.303 (C.52:27H-88). Further, there is appropriated as revenue to the General Fund the unexpended balances in the portion of the Enterprise Zone Assistance Fund designated for the State costs for administering the Urban Enterprise Zone program, as defined by section 29 of P.L.1983, c.303 (C.52:27H-88), subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

Notwithstanding the provisions of P.L.2000, c.12, or any other law or regulation to the contrary, funds may be transferred from the Tobacco Settlement Fund to the General Fund during this fiscal year, which transfer amount shall be based upon the available balances in the Tobacco Settlement Fund, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

Notwithstanding the provisions of section 16 of Article 3 of P.L.1944, c.112 (C.52:27B-25), or any other law or regulation to the contrary, the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting shall not be required to allot appropriations on a quarterly basis.

The funding by a State department in the Executive Branch for a contract for drug screening tests or other laboratory screening tests shall be conditioned upon the following provision: the State department as part of the contract procurement and award process shall notify the Department of Health (DOH) of the proposed contract and provide an opportunity for DOH to submit a proposal, provided, however, the State Department shall not be required to make the award to DOH if DOH is the lowest bidder as factors other than cost may be considered in the evaluation of the proposals, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, the amounts hereinabove appropriated to the Real Estate Commission, Civil Service Commission, New Jersey Maritime Pilot and Docking Pilot Commission, State Athletic Control Board, Public Employment Relations Commission and Appeal Board, New Jersey State Board of Mediation, New Jersey Racing Commission, Council on Local Mandates, Garden State Preservation Trust, the various State professional boards, the Certified Psychoanalysts Advisory Committee and the Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Advisory Committee in the Department of Law and Public Safety, shall be subject to the following conditions: 1) the base salary, per diem salary, or any other form of compensation, including that for expenses, for the board members or commissioners paid for out of State funds shall not exceed $100 per month; and 2) no State monies shall be used to pay for participation in the State Health Benefits Program by board members or commissioners. No other compensation shall be paid; provided, however, that this paragraph shall not apply to the Commissioner/Chief Executive Officer of the State Athletic Control Board, the Chairperson/Chief Executive Officer of the Civil Service Commission, the Chairman of the Public Employment Relations Commission, and any commissioner or board member of any other State board, commission or independent authority who, in addition to being a member of the board or commission also hold a full time staff position for such entity.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, of the amounts hereinabove appropriated no grant monies shall be paid to a grantee for the costs of any efforts by the grantee or on behalf of the grantee for lobbying activities.
Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection c. of section 145 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-145) and section 22 of P.L.1970, c.13 (C.5:9-22) or any law or regulation to the contrary, such monies as are required are appropriated to the State Treasurer to publish via the internet reports accounting for the total revenues received in the Casino Revenue Fund and the State Lottery Fund and the specific amounts of money appropriated therefrom for specific expenditures during the preceding fiscal year ending June 30.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law or regulation to the contrary, in furtherance of the purposes of P.L.2010, c.104 (C.48:23-18 et al.), there are hereby appropriated, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting, such sums as are necessary for the operation of the New Jersey Public Broadcasting Authority (NJPBA) as required by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to maintain the FCC licenses owned by the NJPBA, to oversee any agreements with private operators, and to carry out any other duties and responsibilities that the NJPBA has under P.L.2010, c.104 and as the FCC licensee of broadcast stations, including the costs of employees, office space, equipment, consultants, professional advisors including lawyers, and any other costs determined to be necessary to carry out the NJPBA mission under P.L.2010, c.104 consistent with FCC requirements.

Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 5 and 6 of P.L.1990, c.44 (C.52:9H-18 and 52:9H-19) or any other law or regulation to the contrary, there may be transferred from the Surplus Revenue Fund to the General Fund an amount up to the credit made to the Surplus Revenue Fund during the immediately preceding fiscal year, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

Notwithstanding any provision of law or regulation to the contrary, in order to implement the provisions of the Comprehensive Medicaid Waiver submitted by the State in 2011 to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services’ Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), as well as any amendments or supplements to the Comprehensive Medicaid Waiver (collectively, Waiver), including all items contained in the Waiver awaiting federal approval and those that eventually receive federal approval, amounts may be transferred to and from various items of appropriation within the General Medical Services program classification of the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services, the Community and Addictions Services program classifications in the Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services, the Disability Services program classification in the Division of Disability Services, the Purchased Residential Care, Social Supervision and Consultation, and Adult Activities program classifications in the Division of Developmental Disabilities in the Department of Human Services, the Medical Services for the Aged program classification in the Division of Aging Services in the Department of Human Services, the Child Integrated System of Care Services program classification in the Division of Child Integrated System of Care Services in the Department of Children and Families. A portion of receipts generated or savings realized in Medical Assistance Grants-in-Aid accounts from Waiver initiatives may be transferred to the Health Services Administration and Management accounts in the Department of Human Services, as determined by the Commissioner of Human Services to be required to fund costs incurred in realizing these additional receipts or savings. All such transfers are subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting. Notice thereof shall be provided to the Legislative Budget and Finance Officer on the effective date of the approved transfer.

Notwithstanding any provision of law or regulation to the contrary, there is appropriated an amount not to exceed $200,000,000 from the Clean Energy Fund for transfer to the General Fund as State revenue, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, there is appropriated the available balance from the Global Warming Solutions Fund for transfer to the General Fund as State revenue.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, there is appropriated an amount not to exceed $10,000,000 from the Sanitary Landfill Facility Contingency Fund for transfer to the General Fund as State revenue, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, there is appropriated $1,000,000 from the Real Estate Guaranty Fund for transfer to the General Fund as State revenue.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, there is hereby appropriated to the General Fund as State revenue an amount not to exceed $12,500,000 transferred by the New Jersey Economic Development Authority to the State from the proceeds of monies which have not been committed by the Authority pursuant to P.L.2007, c.340.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, there is appropriated $25,000,000 of the amounts collected as court fees by the Judiciary pursuant to its 21st Century Justice Improvement initiative of 2012 and deposited into the 21st Century Justice Improvement Fund for transfer to the General Fund as State revenue. Amounts appropriated pursuant to this Act for the provision of justice-related programs shall be credited against such funds as determined by the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting. Such programs shall include but not be limited to State programs for: Court Appointed Special Advocates; Justice Involved Mental Health Diversions; Family Crisis Intervention; Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative; Alternatives to Juvenile Incarceration; Crisis Intervention Program; Juvenile Justice Initiatives; Juvenile Justice Commission Female Substance Abuse Programs; Enhanced DNA Testing; State Police Laboratory Enhancement; and the Office of the Public Guardian for Elderly Adults.

Notwithstanding the provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:27D-320, N.J.S.A. 52:27D-329.2, N.J.S.A. 52:27D-329.3, or any other law or regulation to the contrary, an amount not to exceed $200,000,000 of monies received in the “New Jersey Affordable Housing Trust Fund” pursuant to section 8 of P.L.2008, c.46 (C.52:27D-329.2) or section 9 of P.L.2008, c.46 (C.52:27D-329.3) shall be deposited in the General Fund as State revenue, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting. Amounts appropriated in this Act for the provision of programs for affordable housing for households and individuals with low and moderate incomes shall be credited against such funds as determined by the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting. Such programs shall include but not be limited to State programs for: rental assistance; homelessness prevention; residential services for individuals with developmental disabilities or mental illness, parolees and other individuals in the criminal justice system; shelter assistance; and emergency assistance for individuals and families facing homelessness.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, there is appropriated from the Mortgage Servicing Settlement Fund for transfer to the General Fund as State revenue the proceeds obtained by the State and deposited into such fund from the Consent Judgment entered into in connection with the settlement of litigation involving allegations of foreclosure abuses, fraud and unacceptable business practices by the country’s five largest mortgage servicers.
Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, such sums as were appropriated from the Mortgage Servicing Settlement Fund for transfer to the General Fund as State revenue are hereby appropriated, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting, for the following purposes: attorneys fees, investigation and other expenses related to the investigation and resolution of the mortgage servicing settlement, Affordable Housing, Local Planning Services, Developmental Disabilities Residential Services, State Rental Assistance Program, Homelessness Prevention, Shelter Assistance, Community Based Senior Programs, Mental Health Residential Programs, Social Services for the Homeless, and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families.

In order to permit flexibility in the handling of appropriations, to promote the timely and effective implementation of the reorganization of the Departments of Children and Families, Community Affairs, Health, and Human Services, as proposed in the Governor’s FY 2013 budget recommendations, to ensure that appropriate levels of services are provided, to safeguard continuity of care, and to ensure that timely payments are made to providers, amounts may be transferred to and from the various items of appropriation within the affected program classifications of the above-referenced departments, including but not limited to items of appropriation within the following program classifications: Child Integrated System of Care Services, in the Department of Children and Families; Purchased Residential Care, Social Supervision and Consultation, Addiction Services, and Community Services in the Department of Human Services; and Administration and Support Services in all above-referenced Departments. All such transfers are subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting. Notice thereof shall be provided to the Legislative Budget and Finance Officer on the effective date of the approved transfer.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, the amounts hereinabove appropriated, to the extent not inconsistent with federal law or regulation, are subject to the following conditions: in recognition of the limited continuing availability of federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funding during FY 2013 and the pending federal deadlines for spending such funds or else forfeiting them back to the federal government, to the maximum extent possible, all available federal ARRA dollars uncommitted as of the effective date of this act shall be spent first, wherever available, in support of qualifying activities before any appropriated State dollars are expended for the same purpose or purposes; and (2) in the event that ARRA dollars are available for use in FY 2013, the director of the Division of Budget and Accounting may reserve an amount of excess appropriated State funds.

This act shall take effect July 1, 2012.