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SYNOPSIS

Makes supplemental appropriation of \$122,200,000 from Property Tax Relief Fund to DOE to provide additional State school aid to school districts with equalized school tax rate greater than specified threshold.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.

A SUPPLEMENT to "An Act making appropriations for the support of the State Government and the several public purposes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017 and regulating the disbursement thereof," approved June , 2016 (P.L.2016, c.).

BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and the General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

1. In addition to the amounts appropriated under P.L.2016, c. , there is appropriated out of the Property Tax Relief Fund the following sum for the purpose specified:

34 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

30 Educational, Cultural, and Intellectual Development

31 Direct Educational Services and Assistance

STATE AID

01-5120 General Formula Aid... ..

\$122,200,000

(From Property Tax Relief Fund.....\$122,200,000)

Total	State	Aid
Appropriation,		
Direct Educational Services and Assistance		
		<u>\$122,200,000</u>
		(From Property Tax Relief Fund.....\$122,200,000)

State Aid:

01 Tax Rate Stabilization Aid (PTRF)..... (\$122,200,000)

From the amount hereinabove appropriated for Tax Rate Stabilization Aid, the Commissioner of Education shall provide State aid to a school district, other than a county vocational school district, in which the equalized school tax rate in the 2015-2016 school year is at least 35 percent greater than the Statewide equalized school tax rate in the 2015-2016 school year. The amount of aid allotted to a school district shall equal the lesser of: 1) the amount by which the school district's general fund tax levy in the 2015-2016 school year exceeded the school district's local share in the 2015-2016 school year, as calculated pursuant to section 10 of P.L.2007, c.260 (C.18A:7F-52), or 2) the amount by which the school district's total State school aid for the 2016-2017 school year, as calculated pursuant to the provisions of P.L.2007, c.260 (C.18A:7F-43 et al.), exceeds the sum of the school district's allotment of equalization aid, educational adequacy aid, special education categorical aid, security categorical aid, transportation aid, school choice aid, adjustment aid, additional adjustment aid, PARCC readiness aid, per pupil growth aid, supplemental enrollment growth aid, under adequacy aid, professional learning community aid, and host district support aid for the 2016-2017 school year.

2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016, or upon the enactment of P.L.2016, c. , the annual appropriations act for fiscal year 2016-2017, whichever occurs later.

STATEMENT

This bill makes a supplemental appropriation of \$122.2 million in fiscal year 2016-2017 from the Property Tax Relief Fund to the Department of Education to provide additional State school aid to certain school districts. Specifically, the bill provides additional aid to a school district if its equalized school tax rate in the 2015-2016 school year exceeded the Statewide average equalized school tax rate by at least 35 percent. A district's allotment of aid under the bill would equal the lesser of: 1) the amount by which the general fund tax levy in the 2015-2016 school year exceeded its local share for that year, as calculated pursuant to the school funding law; or 2) the amount by which the school district's total allotment of State school aid for the 2016-2017 school year, as calculated pursuant to the school funding law, exceeds the district's allotment of other State aid categories for the 2016-2017 school year.

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL STATE SCHOOL AID FOR DISTRICTS WITH EQUALIZED SCHOOL TAX RATE SIGNIFICANTLY HIGHER THAN STATE AVERAGE

County	District	Equal. School Tax Rate (FY 2016)	Tax Levy as % of Local Share (FY 2016)	Est. Add'l Aid
Atlantic	Egg Harbor City	\$1.842	110.0%	\$236,958
Atlantic	Egg Harbor Twp	\$1.754	118.0%	\$7,646,323
Atlantic	Greater Egg Harbor Reg	\$1.646	108.0%	\$2,241,353
Atlantic	Mainland Regional	\$1.670	110.1%	\$682,350
Bergen	Bergenfield Boro	\$1.755	111.2%	\$1,982,184
Bergen	Bogota Boro	\$2.017	128.6%	\$492,875
Bergen	Dumont Boro	\$1.847	118.0%	\$805,145
Bergen	Fair Lawn Boro	\$1.779	116.3%	\$1,655,307
Bergen	Glen Rock Boro	\$1.679	102.6%	\$638,844
Bergen	Harrington Park Boro	\$1.677	108.0%	\$210,421
Bergen	Hillsdale Boro	\$1.628	109.1%	\$286,177
Bergen	Little Ferry Boro	\$1.676	120.2%	\$266,998
Bergen	Lodi Borough	\$1.870	132.7%	\$2,734,386
Bergen	Midland Park Boro	\$1.624	112.2%	\$393,270
Bergen	New Milford Boro	\$1.719	110.0%	\$418,534
Bergen	Oakland Boro	\$1.744	117.3%	\$367,917
Bergen	Pascack Valley Regional	\$1.751	116.9%	\$720,039
Bergen	Ridgefield Park Twp	\$1.871	130.9%	\$919,788
Bergen	River Dell Regional	\$1.851	118.8%	\$324,181
Bergen	Waldwick Boro	\$1.781	126.8%	\$529,933
Burlington	Beverly City	\$2.498	133.5%	\$18,073
Burlington	Burlington City	\$1.651	112.0%	\$60,299
Burlington	Burlington Twp	\$1.688	113.7%	\$3,528,086
Burlington	Chesterfield Twp	\$1.722	112.6%	\$64,263
Burlington	Cinnaminson Twp	\$1.796	110.3%	\$842,344
Burlington	Delran Twp	\$1.910	117.4%	\$2,193,245

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Estimated additional aid equals the lesser of: 1) the difference between the district's proposed FY 2017 aid and full SFRA funding, and 2) the difference between the district's FY 2016 tax levy and local fair share.

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Burlington	Lenape Regional	\$1.906	115.3%	\$2,298,982
Burlington	Mansfield Twp	\$1.670	111.0%	\$164,680
Burlington	Maple Shade Twp	\$1.623	104.6%	\$1,017,220
Burlington	Medford Lakes Boro	\$1.768	101.2%	\$69,004
Burlington	Medford Twp	\$1.961	107.4%	\$870,779
Burlington	Mount Holly Twp	\$1.834	116.1%	\$429,562
Burlington	Riverside Twp	\$1.792	109.2%	\$639,538
Burlington	Riverton	\$1.859	101.5%	\$69,949
Burlington	Shamong Twp	\$1.851	103.6%	\$35,594
Burlington	Springfield Twp	\$2.000	130.5%	\$98,668
Burlington	Woodland Twp	\$1.712	118.7%	\$80,966
Camden	Barrington Boro	\$1.881	109.8%	\$305,053
Camden	Bellmawr Boro	\$1.628	102.8%	\$243,660
Camden	Black Horse Pike Regional	\$1.909	104.7%	\$1,399,187
Camden	Cherry Hill Twp	\$1.998	112.4%	\$3,406,827
Camden	Gibbsboro Boro	\$1.778	110.8%	\$73,189
Camden	Hi Nella	\$2.110	112.5%	\$89,862
Camden	Laurel Springs Boro	\$2.566	130.9%	\$316,306
Camden	Lawnside Boro	\$1.825	133.9%	\$350,811
Camden	Magnolia Boro	\$2.077	119.2%	\$290,828
Camden	Mount Ephraim Boro	\$2.061	103.6%	\$191,869
Camden	Pine Hill Boro	\$2.374	127.3%	\$2,388,027
Camden	Runnemede Boro	\$1.855	110.0%	\$629,221
Camden	Somerdale Boro	\$1.823	112.0%	\$438,950
Camden	Sterling High School Dist	\$2.116	123.1%	\$1,156,562
Camden	Stratford Boro	\$2.042	114.8%	\$795,370

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Camden	Voorhees Twp	\$1.903	105.6%	\$917,266
Camden	Waterford Twp	\$1.773	103.5%	\$459,920
Camden	Winslow Twp	\$1.735	103.7%	\$1,649,778
Camden	Woodlynne Boro	\$3.881	164.1%	\$873,599
Cumberland	Deerfield Twp	\$1.937	112.6%	\$237,181
Cumberland	Greenwich Twp	\$1.851	126.1%	\$2,428
Essex	Glen Ridge Boro	\$1.846	101.2%	\$322,972
Essex	South Orange-Maplewood	\$1.828	102.2%	\$2,179,393
Essex	West Orange Town	\$2.192	129.7%	\$2,474,486
Gloucester	East Greenwich Twp	\$1.761	100.6%	\$69,467
Gloucester	Gateway Regional	\$2.293	128.3%	\$647,195
Gloucester	Glassboro	\$1.647	100.8%	\$141,959
Gloucester	Kingsway Regional	\$1.741	100.9%	\$175,772
Gloucester	Mantua Twp	\$1.805	104.2%	\$401,912
Gloucester	Monroe Twp	\$1.866	110.7%	\$4,537,924
Gloucester	National Park Boro	\$2.282	126.1%	\$197,922
Gloucester	Newfield Boro	\$1.923	122.5%	\$272,744
Gloucester	Pitman Boro	\$2.127	114.2%	\$217,364
Gloucester	Swedesboro-Woolwich	\$1.983	114.7%	\$1,276,780
Gloucester	Washington Twp	\$1.834	105.8%	\$2,916,264
Gloucester	Westville Boro	\$1.833	114.9%	\$336,297
Gloucester	Woodbury City	\$1.967	118.7%	\$1,918,349
Gloucester	Woodbury Heights Boro	\$1.939	116.4%	\$93,764
Hunterdon	Bethlehem Twp	\$2.127	123.7%	\$159,920
Hunterdon	Bloomsbury Boro	\$1.630	110.8%	\$92,415
Hunterdon	Clinton Town	\$1.766	114.1%	\$50,396

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Hunterdon	Delaware Valley Regional	\$1.659	109.2%	\$328,443
Hunterdon	Flemington-Raritan Reg	\$1.651	104.2%	\$988,437
Hunterdon	Clinton Town (Glen Gardner)	\$1.771	100.7%	\$12,968
Hunterdon	High Bridge Boro	\$2.236	130.8%	\$139,533
Hunterdon	Holland Twp	\$1.970	122.7%	\$127,576
Hunterdon	Lebanon Twp	\$1.656	103.7%	\$13,691
Hunterdon	N Hunt/Voorhees Regional	\$1.665	101.0%	\$455,065
Mercer	East Windsor Regional	\$1.955	116.5%	\$3,516,812
Mercer	Ewing Twp	\$1.821	114.5%	\$888,232
Middlesex	Dunellen Boro	\$1.772	111.5%	\$1,021,162
Middlesex	East Brunswick Twp	\$1.675	110.4%	\$2,455,384
Middlesex	Highland Park Boro	\$1.919	110.5%	\$423,388
Middlesex	Jamesburg Boro	\$1.753	110.1%	\$714,414
Middlesex	Milltown Boro	\$1.645	108.7%	\$234,334
Middlesex	North Brunswick Twp	\$1.680	108.8%	\$2,180,490
Monmouth	Farmingdale Boro	\$1.659	112.5%	\$73,639
Monmouth	Howell Twp	\$1.624	109.5%	\$1,529,916
Monmouth	Matawan-Aberdeen Regional	\$1.651	104.7%	\$1,126,065
Monmouth	Red Bank Regional	\$1.639	121.9%	\$518,824
Morris	Morris Hills Regional	\$1.871	130.1%	\$534,583
Morris	Mount Olive Twp	\$2.113	128.4%	\$1,417,918
Morris	Netcong Boro	\$1.957	130.5%	\$204,282
Morris	Rockaway Twp	\$1.715	119.5%	\$940,341
Morris	Roxbury Twp	\$1.650	108.6%	\$930,334
Morris	Washington Twp	\$1.771	102.1%	\$654,004
Morris	Wharton Boro	\$1.825	126.8%	\$673,866

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Passaic	Bloomingtondale Boro	\$1.995	127.6%	\$311,783
Passaic	Lakeland Regional	\$1.841	118.5%	\$408,195
Passaic	Passaic Co Manchester Reg	\$2.904	183.7%	\$986,325
Passaic	Pompton Lakes Boro	\$2.069	126.2%	\$433,637
Passaic	West Milford Twp	\$1.844	117.8%	\$1,584,121
Salem	Pennsville	\$1.825	118.6%	\$821,307
Somerset	Bound Brook Boro	\$1.832	120.9%	\$1,443,703
Somerset	Manville Boro	\$1.619	111.6%	\$996,670
Somerset	Hillsborough Twp (Millstone)	\$1.669	109.3%	\$18,931
Somerset	North Plainfield Boro	\$1.941	121.9%	\$4,719,798
Somerset	Somerville Boro	\$1.730	116.1%	\$1,021,158
Somerset	South Bound Brook	\$1.924	108.7%	\$463,620
Sussex	Franklin Boro	\$1.684	115.4%	\$296,863
Sussex	Fredon Twp	\$2.118	131.6%	\$98,784
Sussex	Green Twp	\$1.863	110.5%	\$179,453
Sussex	Hamburg Boro	\$2.159	133.9%	\$122,915
Sussex	Hampton Twp	\$1.629	105.9%	\$89,326
Sussex	High Point Regional	\$1.842	128.0%	\$770,064
Sussex	Lenape Valley Regional	\$1.924	116.9%	\$365,780
Sussex	Montague Twp	\$1.810	123.5%	\$63,926
Sussex	Newton Town	\$1.979	136.8%	\$1,098,441
Sussex	Sparta Twp	\$1.708	105.7%	\$1,265,080
Sussex	Stanhope Boro	\$1.916	114.5%	\$80,665
Sussex	Stillwater Twp	\$1.778	118.7%	\$140,722
Sussex	Sussex-Wantage Regional	\$1.820	119.8%	\$338,326
Sussex	Wallkill Valley Regional	\$1.781	121.3%	\$171,951

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Union	Hillside Twp	\$1.782	109.2%	\$2,432,796
Union	Linden City	\$1.788	144.5%	\$1,984,523
Union	Roselle Boro	\$1.783	109.9%	\$2,147,221
Union	Roselle Park Boro	\$1.983	118.8%	\$1,997,487
Union	Winfield Twp	\$9.418	155.5%	\$145,411
Warren	Belvidere Town	\$2.082	115.8%	\$319,931
Warren	Franklin Twp	\$2.057	129.4%	\$90,671
Warren	Knowlton Twp	\$1.908	122.2%	\$139,328
Warren	Oxford Twp	\$2.020	120.0%	\$232,964
Warren	Warren Hills Regional	\$1.803	110.3%	\$997,032
Warren	Washington Boro	\$1.857	110.8%	\$436,342
Warren	Washington Twp	\$1.728	102.2%	\$120,882
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