

CHAPTER 82

AN ACT concerning the improvement of the State transportation system and bridges and making an appropriation.

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

1. a. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any remaining unexpended funds from the “Statewide Transportation and Local Bridge Bond Act of 1999,” P.L.1999, c.181, which were appropriated pursuant to section 3 of P.L.2000, c.155 and section 3 of P.L.2001, c.239 shall be reappropriated to the Department of Transportation and made available for the purposes set forth in subsection b. of this section.

b. The funds reappropriated pursuant to this section shall be administered by the Department of Transportation to offset any cost, eligible under the provisions of P.L.1999, c.181 for transportation projects, to be allocated at the discretion of the Commissioner of Transportation.

2. a. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any remaining unexpended funds from the “Statewide Transportation and Local Bridge Bond Act of 1999,” P.L.1999, c.181, which were appropriated pursuant to section 2 of P.L.2000, c.11, section 2 of P.L.2000, c.155, or section 2 of P.L.2001, c.239 shall be reappropriated to the Department of Transportation and made available for the purposes set forth in subsection b. of this section.

b. The funds reappropriated pursuant to this section shall be administered by the Department of Transportation to offset any cost, eligible under the provisions of P.L.1999, c.181, for the rehabilitation and improvement of structurally deficient bridges carrying county and municipal roads, but only within the county to which such funds were previously appropriated.

c. Any funds appropriated pursuant to the provisions of this section that are not expended or obligated within two years of the effective date of this act shall be consolidated into a single account and redistributed to each county in this State on a formula basis, to be established by the Department of Transportation, for the rehabilitation and improvement of structurally deficient bridges carrying county or municipal roads. Funds that have not been obligated, but are required to complete a project under development, shall be subject to consolidation and redistribution.

3. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved June 30, 2023.