

**BOROUGH OF GARWOOD**  
**UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**MUNICIPAL BUILDING**  
**403 SOUTH AVENUE**  
**GARWOOD, NJ 07027**

**RESOLUTION NO. 22-045**

**Resolution Supporting Legislation Restoring Energy Tax Receipts Advancing**

**WHEREAS**, on January 27, 2022 the Senate Community and Urban Affairs Committee unanimously approved Senate Bill 330 (S-330), which increases distribution to municipalities from the Energy Tax Receipts Property Tax Relief Fund over five years to restore municipal aid reductions and requires the additional aid to be subtracted from the municipal property tax levy; and

**WHEREAS**, the bill is now 2<sup>nd</sup> referenced to the Senate and Budget Committee for its consideration. The Assembly companion, A-1012, awaits consideration by the Assembly Community Development and Affairs Committee; and

**WHEREAS** Energy Tax Receipts is a tax for public utilities for the use of the public right of way in lieu of property taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, originally, these taxes were assessed and collected by municipalities;

**WHEREAS**, the law changed to have the State collect the revenue for the convenience of the public utilities and transmit the funds to the municipalities; and

**WHEREAS**, since 2008, approximately \$14 billion has been diverted from municipalities to the State's general fund, resulting in elimination or reduction in municipal services, increased fees or property taxes, or a combination of same.

**WHEREAS**, A-1012/S-330 would restore revenue that has been diverted from municipalities to the State's general fund.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Garwood:

1. That it does hereby support the advancement of the legislation of A-1012/S-330.
2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Representatives of the 21<sup>st</sup> Legislative District.

**I, Catherine D. Cameron, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Garwood hereby attest that this Resolution was adopted by the Council of the Borough of Garwood on February 10, 2022.**



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**CATHERINE D. CAMERON, R.M.C.**