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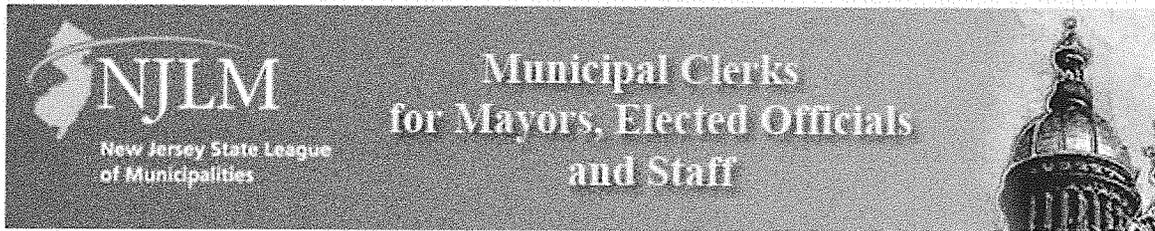
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### Mayors Advisory

April 17, 2013

**Re: I. Legislative Alert  
S-2/A-1171, Shared Services Bill Threatens to Penalize Taxpayers Recent  
Amendments Weaken Management Reforms**

Dear Mayor:

As the budget hearings wane and the Legislature prepares to return to Trenton we need to be mindful of several pieces of the legislation we **oppose** but could see action in the coming weeks and months. One such bill is S-2/A-1171.

The bill increases the power of the State's Local Unit Alignment, Reorganization and Consolidation Commission (LUARCC) and allows that body to advance a shared services proposal. If the municipal governing body or local voters reject that proposal, the bill would allow the State to reduce a municipality's Consolidated Municipal Property Tax Relief Aid (CMPTRA) funding. The cut would equal the amount of projected savings that would have been produced by the proposal, as certified by the State.

We oppose that provision of the bill; and we strongly object to the idea that voters should be threatened with a reduction in property tax relief funding, if they fail to ratify a proposal advanced by a majority of the appointed members of a State study commission.

As noted in our earlier correspondence, prior to the recent amendments, S-2 removed or reduced many of the roadblocks that increase the costs of shared services. The bill addressed things like terminal leave, pay, civil service mandates and employee tenure. **The new amendments, however, weaken the management reforms that would have reduced taxpayer costs and increased service efficiency.**

The bill now awaits consideration by the Assembly Housing and Local Government Committee. **Please contact your Assembly Representatives and urge them to oppose S-2 and A-1171.**

As a reminder, **we have prepared a sample resolution outlining our concerns with this bill, as amended. You can access it as:**

**PDF - [www.njslom.org/resolutions/resolution\\_opposing\\_S2.pdf](http://www.njslom.org/resolutions/resolution_opposing_S2.pdf) or  
Word - [www.njslom.org/resolutions/resolution\\_opposing\\_S2.doc](http://www.njslom.org/resolutions/resolution_opposing_S2.doc)**

If you have any questions on this, contact Lori Buckelew at 609-695-3481, ext. 112 or [lbuckelew@njslom.org](mailto:lbuckelew@njslom.org).

Very truly yours,

Wilda Diaz  
Chair, Management Reform Committee  
Mayor, Perth Amboy City

William G. Dressel, Jr  
Executive Director

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**Re: II. New Jersey Digital Government Summit**

Dear Mayor:

Please bring this special program to the attention of your manager or administrator.

**New Jersey Digital Government Summit  
May 29-30, 2013  
Trenton Marriott at Lafayette Yard  
Trenton, New Jersey**

For a link to details and how to register, see the League's web site calendar for May 29 at [www.njslom.com](http://www.njslom.com) or call **Lee Vang**, Registration Coordinator; Government Technology. 916-932-1407 [lvang@govtech.com](mailto:lvang@govtech.com)

The League is co-sponsoring, with dozens of other government agencies, this executive level forum on the latest issues trends and topics in government information technology.

**Topics will include:**

Innovation  
New Technologies  
Digital Government Trends  
Leadership in Times of Change  
Shared Services and Collaboration  
Mobility  
Citizen Engagement

**Who Should Attend**

This event is for and about state and local digital government. Anyone who influences or participates in technology decisions or implementations will benefit

from attending.

The New Jersey Digital Government Summit has been the nexus for many of the state's most cross-cutting technology concepts. This year's summit will once again bring together the state's technology leadership with an exciting program filled with expert speakers and presenters. Take advantage of this unique opportunity to meet with colleagues from across all levels of government in New Jersey and learn the latest national trends in technology.

Program details are available on the web at  
<http://www.govtech.com/events/New-Jersey-Digital-Government-Summit-2013.html?page=home>

Note: register now and get the government rate is FREE.

Very truly yours,

William G. Dressel, Jr.  
Executive Director

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**Re: III. League Professional Development Seminar**

*“Insurance Claim Responses, How to Handle Insurance Claims after Hurricane Sandy”*

**Tuesday, May 7, 2013  
9:00a.m. to 12:30p.m  
Crowne Plaza Monroe  
390 Forsgate Dr,  
Monroe Twp 08831**

The purpose and focus of this presentation will be to assist homeowners, businesses and municipalities with handling insurance claims following Hurricane Sandy. It is our goal to provide information and education regarding how to handle your Hurricane Sandy insurance claims, how to handle initial and subsequent responses from insurance carriers regarding your insurance claim, and advice for insured in handling future claims during disaster recovery.

**Topics of discussion are:**

Key Lessons from Past Disasters Goals of the Insured Claims Process How will Insurance Companies respond to Claims following Natural Disasters? How to Deal with Insurance Adjusters Adjustment Related Problems Wind and Flood Damage Business Interruption Coverage

**Schedule of Events:**

8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. - Registration, Continental Breakfast and Networking

9:00 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. - Wind and Flood Damages: BIC; Property Tax Losses

9:45 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. - Claims Process - You've Been Denied, What Now? - Appeals Process

10:30 a.m.- 10:45 a.m. - Networking Break

10:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m, - How to Get Paid:

- Dealing with Insurance Adjusters
- What are your Rights?
- Documenting - Accounting for Insurance Claims

**Presiding Mayor: Mayor Matt Doherty, Mayor of Belmar**

**Presenter(s):**

- Anthony D'Alessio, CPA
- Chris Tremaine, Insurance Adjuster, Tremaine Enterprises
- James M. Burns, Esq., Founding Partner, Genova Burns Giantomasi Webster LLC
- Christopher M. Hartwyk, Esq., Partner, Genova Burns Giantomasi Webster LLC
- Cynthia St. Amant, Esq., Member, Kanner & Whiteley, L.L.C.

**Registration:** Member Rate: \$55.00\* Non Member: \$75.00

\* Member rate applies to: Municipalities, State, County, and Municipal Utilities & Authorities

**To Register:**

- Visit [www.njslom.org](http://www.njslom.org) and click on Services
- Select Calendar of Events, Go to the date you are attending
- Download the registration form, complete and fax it to (609) 695-0151 or email to [sdelany@njslom.org](mailto:sdelany@njslom.org)

Questions about registering - contact Suzanne Delany [SDelany@njslom.com](mailto:SDelany@njslom.com) or 609-695-3481 ext, 111

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