

projects to be financed during the fiscal year starting the following July 1.

2. That the final petition and such supporting documents as may be required by the State Department of Health are received by the State Department of Health no later than May 1 of each year, for all projects to be financed in the fiscal year starting the following July 1.]

[3.] 1. Except as provided below, a State grant offer shall be made only for a project or part of a project on which a Federal grant offer is made, and the State grant offer shall be in an amount up to one-half of the eligible cost remaining after the maximum Federal grant has been applied. In the case of a project to be operated by a State owned institution or facility, the State grant offer may equal the total cost of the project.

[4.] 2. The Board of Public Works is authorized, in its discretion and upon recommendation of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, to approve a State grant not to exceed 87-1/2 percent of the eligible cost of a project or part of a project, if the Board finds (a) that the immediate initiation or continuation of such project is critical to the public health or water quality standards of the State, and (b) that a timely and sufficient Federal grant is not available for such project.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 5(c) of Chapter 445 of the Acts of 1968, as amended by Chapter 246 of the Acts of 1970, and as further amended by Chapter 286 of the Acts of 1974, be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted with amendments, to read as follows:

Chapter 286

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(c) Of the actual cash proceeds from the sale of Certificates of Indebtedness to be issued under this Act, the sum of [six million dollars (\$6,000,000)] NINE MILLION DOLLARS (\$9,000,000), less a proportionate share of the costs specified in Section 4 of this Act, shall be used exclusively to provide loans to assist in the construction of sewer facilities.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 5(b) of Chapter 262 of the Acts of 1975, be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Chapter 262