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To: Lashway, Lisa
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LEAGUE ALERT		
Municipal Clerk: Please forward to Mayor and Governing Body.		
May 22, 2008		
Re: S-1137, Expands Scope of Negotiations with a Sample Resolution Attached		
<p>Please note:</p> <p>Due to not being able to open the links we provided for a sample resolution we are e-mailing our Mayors Letter from yesterday again with the sample resolution attached at the end of this letter.</p> <p>Re: S-1137, Expands Scope of Negotiations</p> <p>Dear Mayor:</p> <p>In response to your request, attached below is a sample resolution opposing S-1137 which expands the scope of negotiations.</p> <p>Although, our efforts have been successful thus far, we must continue our pro-active stance. Therefore, a resolution, adopted by your governing body in continued opposition to S-1137 would be effective in our campaign to keep this ill advised legislation off the agenda.</p> <p>Scroll down for a copy of a sample resolution</p> <p>Many thanks for your attention.</p>		

Very truly yours,

William G. Dressel, Jr.
Executive Director

SAMPLE RESOLUTION

Opposing S-1137 which Expands the Scope of Negotiations

WHEREAS, Governing bodies are concerned about their ability to manage their employees using methods in the most appropriate and efficient manner possible; and

WHEREAS, Governing bodies further believe that it is an employers' right to hire, promote, transfer, assign or retain employees in positions deemed necessary and appropriate; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill No. 1137 would re-define the New Jersey Public Employment Relations Commission (PERC) law by adding new mandatory subjects of collective bargaining and issues that have been historically non-negotiable would become negotiable; and

WHEREAS, S-1137 will diminish the authority of municipalities over their day to day operations and severely impair the ability to manage personnel in an effective manner; and

WHEREAS, these changes are imposed on governing bodies while under severe financial stress, and the State announced plans to substantially reduce or eliminate State aid to many municipalities; and

WHEREAS, S-1137 would increase the time and cost of negotiations which costs ultimately falls on our beleaguered property taxpayers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of (YOUR MUNICIPALITY) adamantly oppose adoption of S-1137 which impinges on local management prerogatives, would potentially result in protracted costly negotiations and advances encroachments by public unions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a certified copy of this resolution is hereby forwarded to Governor Jon Corzine, (your Trenton Senate and Assembly Delegation) and the NJ League of Municipalities.