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DIRECT DEPOSIT LEGISLATION TO STREAMLINE COUNTY OPERATIONS

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(Trenton) The New Jersey Association of Counties (NJAC) is pleased to announce its support for legislation that would authorize all local governments to pay its employees by direct deposit at the governing body's discretion saving valuable taxpayer dollars.

"We've adopted this important and timely initiative as one of our top legislative priorities simply because it will provide local governing bodies with a more cost effective alternative for managing their day-to-day operations," said NJAC President and Warren County Freeholder Rick Gardner.

The Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism, and Historic Preservation Committee plans to consider **SENATE, NO.-2090/ASSEMBLY, NO.720** (*Gordon D-38*)(*Ramos D-33/Milam D-1*) at its 10:00 a.m. on August 9th in Committee Room 7 of the State House Annex in Trenton. In addition to authorizing counties, municipalities, and school districts to opt for mandatory direct deposit for all employee compensation, the measure also requires direct deposit for all State employee compensation on or after July 1, 2014. A-720 passed the General Assembly with unanimous bipartisan support in June.

"Under the leadership of Assemblyman Ruben Ramos and Senator Robert Gordon, this legislation will eliminate an antiquated law that has become a significant barrier for counties committed to streamlining their operations and saving valuable taxpayer dollars," commented Gardner.

NJAC is committed to advocating for legislation, regulations, and policy directives that empower county governments to operate more effectively and efficiently. As a non-partisan organization that represents the only true regional form of government in the State with a unified and proactive voice, NJAC is dedicated to advancing innovative programs and initiatives for the sole purpose of saving valuable taxpayer dollars.