

## CHAPTER 289

**AN ACT** concerning local government financing of animal shelter and care facilities operated by certain nonprofit organizations, supplementing Title 4 of the Revised Statutes.

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

C.40A:2-3.1 Local governments, funding of animal shelter operated by nonprofit organization.

1. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law to the contrary, and in addition to any other law authorizing these expenditures, a municipality or county may appropriate funds as a capital improvement pursuant to the "Local Bond Law," N.J.S. 40A:2-1 et seq., for the construction, by an organization organized as a not-for-profit as described in section 501(c)(3) of the federal Internal Revenue Code of 1986, 26 U.S.C. s.501, and exempt from taxation under section 501(a) of the federal Internal Revenue Code of 1986, 26 U.S.C. s.501, of a facility on publicly owned land to shelter and care for abandoned and stray animals, provided that the facility is licensed as required pursuant to section 8 of P.L.1941, c.151 (C.4:19-15.8) Funds appropriated pursuant to this section shall be contributed or loaned to an organization described in this section only if there is a contract for services between the organization and the municipality or county; and provided further that any title or interest in the facility held by an organization shall revert to the municipality or county on whose publicly owned land the facility is constructed upon the termination of the contract.

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved January 14, 2004.