

CHAPTER 227

AN ACT concerning voluntary contributions through gross income tax returns to support the Girl Scouts councils in New Jersey, supplementing chapter 9 of Title 54A of the New Jersey Statutes.

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

C.54A:9-25.31 “Girl Scouts Councils in New Jersey Fund.”

1. a. There is established in the Department of the Treasury a special fund to be known as the “Girl Scouts Councils in New Jersey Fund.”

b. A taxpayer shall have the opportunity to indicate on the taxpayer’s New Jersey gross income tax return that a portion of the taxpayer’s tax refund or an enclosed contribution shall be deposited in the “Girl Scouts Councils in New Jersey Fund.”

c. Any costs incurred by the Division of Taxation for collection or administration attributable to this section may be deducted from receipts collected pursuant to this section, as determined by the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting in the Department of the Treasury. The State Treasurer shall deposit net contributions collected pursuant to this section to the “Girl Scouts Councils in New Jersey Fund.”

d. The Legislature shall annually appropriate all monies deposited in the “Girl Scouts Councils in New Jersey Fund” established pursuant to this section for distribution in equal amounts among the chartered local councils of the Girl Scouts of the United States of America in New Jersey for the purposes of supporting their programs and services.

2. This act shall take effect immediately and apply to taxable years beginning on or after the January 1 following the date of enactment.

Approved January 17, 2012.