

# New Jersey's Financial Crisis

Pension Liability & Postemployment Benefit Obligation

### **DEFICIT**

For 15 years, New Jersey revenues have fallen short, only covering 91.3% of total expenses. As a result, the Garden State has the worst deficit in the nation.<sup>1</sup>

# **EXPENSES**

As of June 2017, New Jersey's combined net pension liability & postemployment benefit obligation totaled \$151.6 billion.<sup>2</sup> B

## **BOTTOM LINE**

An NJBIA analysis found that in order to pay off these current obligations, every New Jersey resident would need to write the State a check for \$17,018.22.3

### **TIMELY**

If nothing is done to address the pension liability & postemployment benefit structure, the obligation will rise \$4.89 billion by 2023.4



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