

NJ budget bills clear key committees, but battles remain

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In the meantime, [both budget](#) committees also passed a bill to restore \$7.5 million for funding for 58 "family planning" clinics. 29 of these are run by Planned Parenthood, the organization started by Margaret Sanger for the purpose of promoting abortion. Assemblyman Jay Webber (R-Morris) asked scathingly whether the Assembly really wanted to support an organization that, according to a brochure he read aloud to the committee, actively encouraged adolescent women to have intimate relations with whomever they pleased and not worry about any consequences. Assemblywoman Joan Quigley (D-Hudson) then said that Webber had offended her by sharing the brochure, though she did not object to its contents.

As if to underscore the slim margins that the budget now depends upon, the New Jersey State Republican chapter sent an e-mail to its subscribers urging them to contact their Assemblymen and Senator to urge them to vote in favor of the budget.