§ 710. Exemption from taxation. 1. It is hereby determined that the creation of the authority and the carrying out of its corporate purposes is in all respects for the benefit of the people of the state of New York and it is a public purpose and the authority shall be regarded as performing a governmental function in the exercise of the powers conferred upon it by this title and shall be required to pay no taxes or assessments upon any of the properties acquired by it or under its jurisdiction or control or supervision or upon its activities or upon the income therefrom.

2. Any bonds or notes issued pursuant to this title, together with the income therefrom, as well as the property of the authority, shall be free from taxation, except for transfer and estate taxes.