

TRENTON WATCH

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AGRICULTURE



Support

A158

Sponsors	Katz (D8); Fantasia (R24); Inganamort (R24)
Summary	Directs Dept. of Agriculture to develop and implement beginning farmer mentoring program in cooperation with certain agricultural and educational organizations and entities; appropriates \$5,000,000.
History	Reported from Assembly Agriculture with committee amendments, referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee.



Support

S2215

Sponsors	Ruiz (D29); Cruz-Perez (D5)
Summary	Creates pilot program to provide corporation business tax and gross income tax credits for value of certain fruit and vegetable donations made by commercial farm operators.
History	Reported from Senate Economic Growth committee, 2nd reading in Senate. Referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES



Support

A1662

Sponsors	Drulis (D16); Freiman (D16); Miller (D4)
Summary	Permits certain winery license holders to sell wine produced by other winery licensees under certain circumstances; establishes supplemental wine production facility license.
History	Reported from Assembly Oversight with committee amendments, referred to Assembly Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee.

AUTHORITIES



Oppose

S1673 / A2757

Sponsors	Zwicker (D16) / Katz (D8); Calabrese (D36); Park (D37)
Summary	Requires owners of certain new electric transmission facilities to join regional transmission organizations approved by FERC.
History	Reported from Senate Economic Growth with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Senate. Reported from Assembly Telecommunications with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Assembly.

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COMMERCE



Support

S4268

Sponsors	Burzichelli (D3); Beach (D6)
Summary	Requires Division of Travel and Tourism to establish New Jersey Film Trail.
History	Reported from Senate State Government 2nd reading in Senate. Referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

COMMUNICATIONS



Seeking
Amendments

S3413 / A4015

Sponsors	Mukherji (D32); Greenstein (D14) / Katz (D8); Sweeney (D25); Peterpaul (D11)
Summary	"New Jersey Kids Code Act"; adopts New Jersey Age-Appropriate Design Code and requires certain online service providers to implement certain measures concerning minors' use of online service.
History	Reported from Senate Law and Public Safety with committee substitute, 2nd reading in Senate. Referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee. Amended on Assembly floor, 2nd reading in Assembly (Quijano).



Support

S3744

Sponsors	Zwicker (D16); McKnight (D31)
Summary	Establishes advertising set-asides for eligible local news organizations.
History	Reported from Senate State Government with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Senate. Passed the Senate.

DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION



Support

A2613

Sponsors	Morales (D34); Rodriguez, G. (D33); Haider (D37)
Summary	Requires Chief Diversity Officer in Department of Treasury and other State officers to conduct certain outreach events, training workshops, and educational programs for minority and women-owned businesses.
History	Reported from Assembly Community Development committee, referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee.



Support

A3496

Sponsors	Lopez (D19); Carter (D22); Spearman (D5)
Summary	Requires State agencies to make good faith effort to increase awarding of contracts procured without advertisement to minority- and women-owned businesses.
History	Reported from Assembly Community Development committee, 2nd reading in Assembly.

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



Support

S4218 / A5016

Sponsors	Zwicker (D16); Turner (D15) / Swain (D38); Freiman (D16); Barlas (R40)
Summary	Establishes program in EDA to encourage employee ownership awareness and provide funding and advisory support.
History	Reported from Senate Economic Growth committee, 2nd reading in Senate. Referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee. Reported from Assembly Appropriations, 2nd Reading. Passed in Assembly 64-14-1.

EDUCATION



Support

A4236

Sponsors	Stanley (D18); Morales (D34); Haider (D37)
Summary	Designates accounting as STEM subject for various educational and other programs.
History	Reported from Assembly Education with committee amendments, referred to Assembly Science, Innovation and Technology Committee.

ENERGY



Support

S3939

Sponsors	Zwicker (D16); Greenstein (D14)
Summary	Permits dual-use solar energy projects to participate in community solar program.
History	Reported from Senate Environment and Energy with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Senate.



Support

S4296 / A4881

Sponsors	Burzichelli (D3); Smith (D17); Scutari (D22) / DeAngelo (D14); Bailey (D3)
Summary	"Power NJ Act"; establishes advanced nuclear energy procurement program in BPU.
History	Reported from Senate Environment and Energy committee, 2nd reading in Senate. Referred to Senate Budget. Reported from Assembly State and Local Government committee, referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee.



Seeking
Amendments

S631

Sponsors	Smith (D17); Greenstein (D14)
Summary	Requires BPU to establish distributed energy storage incentive program.
History	Reported from Senate Environment and Energy with committee substitute, 2nd reading in Senate. Referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

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ENVIRONMENT



Oppose

S2338

Sponsors	McKeon (D27); Smith (D17); Mukherji (D32)
Summary	"Polluters Pay to Make New Jersey More Affordable Act"; imposes cost recovery payments on certain fossil fuel companies for funds needed for climate change adaptation; establishes program in DEP to collect and oversee distribution of funds.
History	Reported from Senate Environment and Energy with committee substitute, 2nd reading in Senate. Referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

HEALTH



Support

S1403

Sponsors	Lagana (D38); Singer (R30)
Summary	Establishes education requirements for certain officers of State Board of Medical Examiners.
History	Reported from Senate Commerce committee, 2nd reading in Senate. Passed by the Senate (40-0).



Support

S4416 / A5238

Sponsors	Vitale (D19); Scutari (D22)
Summary	Expands role of New Jersey Health Care Quality Institute and transfers \$3 million from DCF to DHS for establishment of dashboard and associated implementation.
History	Reported from Senate Health, Human Services, 2nd reading in Senate. Referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

HOTELS



Oppose

S4202

Sponsors	Mukherji (D32); Bucco (R25)
Summary	"Hotel Franchisee Fairness and Market Access Act."
History	Reported from Senate Commerce, 2nd Reading. Referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

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LEGAL



Support

S2357 / A2159

Sponsors	McKeon (D27); Lagana (D38) / Pintor Marin (D29); Park (D37)
Summary	Requires disclosure of third-party litigation funding agreements and establishes certain responsibilities for litigation funders.
History	Reported from Senate Commerce, 2nd reading. Referred to Senate Budget. Reported from Assembly Oversight with committee amendments, 2nd Reading.

MILITARY



Support

S1059

Sponsors	Cruz-Perez (D5); Turner (D15)
Summary	Allows corporation business tax and gross income tax credits to businesses paying a salary differential to National Guard members or reservists on active duty.
History	Reported from Senate Military and Veterans Affairs committee, 2nd reading in Senate. Referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

MOTOR VEHICLES



Support

A4050

Sponsors	Spearman (D5); Peterson (R23)
Summary	Concerns facilities used by new motor vehicle dealer licenses; establishes provisional new motor vehicle dealer licenses.
History	Passed in Assembly 79-0-0. Received in Senate and referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

NEW JERSEY



Support

S4307

Sponsors	Diegnan (D18); Beach (D6)
Summary	"New Jersey History Day Act."
History	Reported from Senate State Government committee, 2nd reading in Senate.

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PUBLIC CONTRACTS



Support

A1978

Sponsors	Quijano (D20); Speight (D29); Rodriguez, G. (D33)
Summary	Requires Chief Diversity Officer in Department of Treasury to develop and implement programs to increase utilization of minority-owned and women-owned businesses in State.
History	Reported from Assembly Community Development. Referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee.

PUBLIC UTILITIES



Seeking
Amendments

S4411

Sponsors	Zwicker (D16); Timberlake (D34)
Summary	"Advanced Grid Technologies Act"; requires State oversight of supplemental transmission projects and establishes expedited review for projects utilizing advanced transmission or distribution technologies.
History	Reported from Senate Economic Growth with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Senate. Referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

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