

18A:64-21.8
LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

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LAWS OF: 2023 **CHAPTER:** 309

NJSA: 18A:64-21.8 Establishes Center for Career Relevant Education and Talent Evaluation of New Jersey at Thomas Edison State University.

BILL NO: A4212 (Substituted for S2762 (1R))

SPONSOR(S) Pintor Marin, Eliana and others

DATE INTRODUCED: 6/9/2022

COMMITTEE: **ASSEMBLY:** Higher Education
Labor

SENATE: --

AMENDED DURING PASSAGE: Yes

DATE OF PASSAGE: ASSEMBLY: 12/21/2023

SENATE: 01/08/2023

DATE OF APPROVAL: 1/16/2024

FOLLOWING ARE ATTACHED IF AVAILABLE:

FINAL TEXT OF BILL (A4212 Aca (1R) enacted) Yes

A4212

INTRODUCED BILL: (Includes sponsor(s) statement) Yes

COMMITTEE STATEMENT: ASSEMBLY: Yes Higher Education
Labor

SENATE: No

(Audio archived recordings of the committee meetings, corresponding to the date of the committee statement, *may possibly* be found at www.njleg.state.nj.us)

FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT: No

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE: Yes

S2762 (1R)

INTRODUCED BILL: (Includes sponsor(s) statement) Yes

COMMITTEE STATEMENT: ASSEMBLY: No

SENATE: Yes Higher Education
Budget & Appropriations

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P.L. 2023, CHAPTER 309, *approved January 16, 2024*
Assembly, No. 4212 (*First Reprint*)

1 AN ACT establishing the Center for Career Relevant Education and
2 Talent Evaluation of New Jersey, ¹and¹ supplementing chapter
3 64 of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes¹, and making an
4 appropriation¹.

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

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9 1. a. There is established at Thomas Edison State University
10 the Center for Career Relevant Education and Talent Evaluation of
11 New Jersey, also known as CreateNJ. The purpose of the center
12 shall be to maximize ¹~~collaboration~~¹ collaborations¹ between
13 ¹~~institutions of higher education and~~¹ employers¹, partner
14 organizations¹, and institutions of higher education¹ that develop
15 and implement career pathways for nontraditional students and
16 workers and workforce development programs. The center shall be
17 the State's central resource ¹~~to evaluate~~¹ for the evaluation¹ and
18 ¹~~translate~~¹ translation of¹ learning ¹experiences¹ into a validated
19 record of academic credit, career credentials, pre-apprenticeship and
20 apprenticeship credits, and pertinent knowledge, skills, and
21 abilities. The validated record developed by the center pursuant to
22 this section shall be known as the ¹~~New Jersey~~¹ CreateNJ¹
23 Workforce Transcript.

24 b. (1) The Center for Career Relevant Education and Talent
25 Evaluation of New Jersey shall establish a steering committee, the
26 purpose of which is to foster partnerships ¹~~between~~¹ among¹
27 education¹, government and industry for the mapping of credentials
28 and to contribute to the direction and sustainability of the center.
29 Members of the steering committee shall serve in an advisory
30 capacity only. The members shall serve without compensation but
31 may be reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred in the
32 performance of their duties.

33 (2) The steering committee shall ¹consist of 12 members and¹
34 shall¹ be co-chaired by the President of Thomas Edison State
35 University and the Commissioner of Labor and Workforce
36 Development, or their designees. Other members of the steering
37 committee shall include, but ¹~~need~~¹ not be limited to,
38 ¹~~representatives~~¹ one representative¹ from ¹each of¹ the following:

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is
not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Assembly ALA committee amendments adopted December 14, 2023.

- 1 (a) the Division of Consumer Affairs in the Department of Law
2 and Public Safety;
- 3 (b) the Office of the Secretary of Higher Education;
- 4 (c) the Department of Education;
- 5 (d) the ¹**【New Jersey Council of County Colleges】** Economic
6 Development Authority¹; ¹**【and】**¹
- 7 (e) the New Jersey Business and Industry Association¹; and
8 (f) the New Jersey Council of County Colleges¹.
- 9 ¹The steering committee shall also include three representatives
10 of the New Jersey Presidents' Council, preferably each from
11 different sectors.¹
- 12 c. The Center for Career Relevant Education and Talent
13 Evaluation of New Jersey shall establish a database that houses all
14 of the skills or credits credentialed or accepted by Thomas Edison
15 State University ¹**【or】** and¹ other voluntarily¹ participating
16 institutions of higher education ¹**【pursuant to this section】**¹. The
17 inclusion of an individual's higher education credit equivalencies or
18 identified skills in the database shall be voluntary in nature, and
19 participation shall be indicated by informed consent. Thomas
20 Edison State University shall maintain the credits obtained through
21 any evaluation of learning pursuant to this section by following
22 national best practices and processes and by complying with
23 applicable State and federal privacy¹ laws and other guidelines and
24 requirements for institutional accreditation from the Middle States
25 Commission on Higher Education.
- 26 d. As permitted by law, Thomas Edison State University may
27 enter into contracts with public or private individuals,
28 organizations, and institutions ¹**【necessary for the performance of**
29 **its duties pursuant to this section】** to advance the purposes of this
30 act¹. The Center for Career Relevant Education and Talent
31 Evaluation of New Jersey shall apply for and accept grant funds, or
32 any other funds, to support the operations and duties of the center,
33 as made available by the federal government, private foundations or
34 entities, or any other sources.
- 35 e. Thomas Edison State University may hire such additional
36 staff as may be necessary to effectuate the provisions of this
37 section.
- 38 f. The Center for Career Relevant Education and Talent
39 Evaluation of New Jersey may ¹**【collect】** assess¹ fees ¹**【from**
40 **organizations using approved credentials or professional learning**
41 **assessments maintained by Thomas Edison State University, from**
42 **individuals utilizing the New Jersey Workforce Transcript pursuant**
43 **to this section, or from other entities or individuals using the**
44 **services provided by the center】** for the utilization of the database
45 and transcript generation¹. Any fee or other revenue collected by
46 the center shall be used to fund the operations of the center.

1 ¹【2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to Thomas
2 Edison State University the sum of \$2,000,000 for the purposes of
3 this act.】¹

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5 ¹【3.】2.¹ This act shall take effect immediately.

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10 Establishes Center for Career Relevant Education and Talent
11 Evaluation of New Jersey at Thomas Edison State University.

ASSEMBLY, No. 4212

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 220th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED JUNE 9, 2022

Sponsored by:

Assemblywoman ELIANA PINTOR MARIN

District 29 (Essex)

Assemblywoman VERLINA REYNOLDS-JACKSON

District 15 (Hunterdon and Mercer)

Assemblyman ANTHONY S. VERRELLI

District 15 (Hunterdon and Mercer)

Co-Sponsored by:

Assemblywoman Chaparro

SYNOPSIS

Establishes Center for Career Relevant Education and Talent Evaluation of New Jersey at Thomas Edison State University; appropriates \$2 million.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 10/17/2022)

1 AN ACT establishing the Center for Career Relevant Education and
2 Talent Evaluation of New Jersey, supplementing chapter 64 of
3 Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes, and making an
4 appropriation.

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

8
9 1. a. There is established at Thomas Edison State University
10 the Center for Career Relevant Education and Talent Evaluation of
11 New Jersey, also known as CreateNJ. The purpose of the center
12 shall be to maximize collaboration between institutions of higher
13 education and partner organizations that develop and implement
14 career pathways for nontraditional students and workers and
15 workforce development programs. The center shall be the State's
16 central resource to evaluate and translate learning into a validated
17 record of academic credit, career credentials, pre-apprenticeship and
18 apprenticeship credits, and pertinent knowledge, skills, and
19 abilities. The validated record developed by the center pursuant to
20 this section shall be known as the New Jersey Workforce
21 Transcript.

22 b. (1) The Center for Career Relevant Education and Talent
23 Evaluation of New Jersey shall establish a steering committee, the
24 purpose of which is to foster partnerships between government and
25 industry for the mapping of credentials and to contribute to the
26 direction and sustainability of the center. Members of the steering
27 committee shall serve in an advisory capacity only. The members
28 shall serve without compensation but may be reimbursed for
29 necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

30 (2) The steering committee shall be co-chaired by the President
31 of Thomas Edison State University and the Commissioner of Labor
32 and Workforce Development, or their designees. Other members of
33 the steering committee shall include, but need not be limited to,
34 representatives from the following:

35 (a) the Division of Consumer Affairs in the Department of Law
36 and Public Safety;

37 (b) the Office of the Secretary of Higher Education;

38 (c) the Department of Education;

39 (d) the New Jersey Council of County Colleges; and

40 (e) the New Jersey Business and Industry Association.

41 c. The Center for Career Relevant Education and Talent
42 Evaluation of New Jersey shall establish a database that houses all
43 of the skills or credits credentialed or accepted by Thomas Edison
44 State University or other participating institutions of higher
45 education pursuant to this section. The inclusion of an individual's
46 higher education credit equivalencies or identified skills in the
47 database shall be voluntary in nature, and participation shall be
48 indicated by informed consent. Thomas Edison State University

1 shall maintain the credits obtained through any evaluation of
2 learning pursuant to this section by following national best practices
3 and processes and by complying with applicable State and federal
4 laws and other guidelines and requirements for institutional
5 accreditation from the Middle States Commission on Higher
6 Education.

7 d. As permitted by law, Thomas Edison State University may
8 enter into contracts with public or private individuals,
9 organizations, and institutions necessary for the performance of its
10 duties pursuant to this section. The Center for Career Relevant
11 Education and Talent Evaluation of New Jersey shall apply for and
12 accept grant funds, or any other funds, to support the operations and
13 duties of the center, as made available by the federal government,
14 private foundations or entities, or any other sources.

15 e. Thomas Edison State University may hire such additional
16 staff as may be necessary to effectuate the provisions of this
17 section.

18 f. The Center for Career Relevant Education and Talent
19 Evaluation of New Jersey may collect fees from organizations using
20 approved credentials or professional learning assessments
21 maintained by Thomas Edison State University, from individuals
22 utilizing the New Jersey Workforce Transcript pursuant to this
23 section, or from other entities or individuals using the services
24 provided by the center. Any fee or other revenue collected by the
25 center shall be used to fund the operations of the center.

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27 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to Thomas
28 Edison State University the sum of \$2,000,000 for the purposes of
29 this act.

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31 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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36 This bill establishes Thomas Edison State University the Center
37 for Career Relevant Education and Talent Evaluation of New Jersey
38 (CreateNJ). The purpose of CreateNJ would be to maximize
39 collaboration between institutions of higher education and partner
40 organizations that develop and implement career pathways for
41 nontraditional students and workers and workforce development
42 programs. The center would be the State's central resource to
43 evaluate and translate learning into a validated record of academic
44 credit, career credentials, pre-apprenticeship and apprenticeship
45 credits, and pertinent knowledge, skills, and abilities. The validated
46 record developed by the center pursuant to this section shall be
47 known as the New Jersey Workforce Transcript.

1 CreateNJ would establish a steering committee, the purpose of
2 which is to foster partnerships between government and industry for
3 the mapping of credentials and to contribute to the direction and
4 sustainability of the center. The steering committee would be co-
5 chaired by the President of Thomas Edison State University and the
6 Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development, or their
7 designees. Other members of the steering committee would include
8 representatives from:

9 (1) the Division of Consumer Affairs in the Department of Law
10 and Public Safety;

11 (2) the Office of the Secretary of Higher Education;

12 (3) the Department of Education;

13 (4) the New Jersey Council of County Colleges; and

14 (5) the New Jersey Business and Industry Association.

15 Under the bill, CreateNJ would establish a database that houses
16 all of the skills or credits credentialed or accepted by Thomas
17 Edison State University or other participating institutions of higher
18 education pursuant to the bill.

ASSEMBLY HIGHER EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 4212

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: OCTOBER 13, 2022

The Assembly Higher Education Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 4212.

This bill establishes at Thomas Edison State University the Center for Career Relevant Education and Talent Evaluation of New Jersey (CreateNJ). The purpose of CreateNJ would be to maximize collaboration between institutions of higher education and partner organizations that develop and implement career pathways for nontraditional students and workers and workforce development programs. The center would be the State's central resource to evaluate and translate learning into a validated record of academic credit, career credentials, pre-apprenticeship and apprenticeship credits, and pertinent knowledge, skills, and abilities. The validated record developed by the center, under the provisions of the bill, is to be known as the New Jersey Workforce Transcript.

CreateNJ would establish a steering committee, the purpose of which is to foster partnerships between government and industry for the mapping of credentials and to contribute to the direction and sustainability of the center. The steering committee would be co-chaired by the President of Thomas Edison State University and the Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development, or their designees. Other members of the steering committee would include representatives from:

- (1) the Division of Consumer Affairs in the Department of Law and Public Safety;
- (2) the Office of the Secretary of Higher Education;
- (3) the Department of Education;
- (4) the New Jersey Council of County Colleges; and
- (5) the New Jersey Business and Industry Association.

Under the bill, CreateNJ would establish a database that houses all of the skills or credits credentialed or accepted by Thomas Edison State University or other participating institutions of higher education pursuant to the bill.

ASSEMBLY LABOR COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 4212

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 14, 2023

The Assembly Labor Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 4212.

As amended, this bill establishes at Thomas Edison State University the Center for Career Relevant Education and Talent Evaluation of New Jersey (CreateNJ). As amended, the purpose of CreateNJ would be to maximize collaborations between employers, partner organizations, and institutions of higher education that develop and implement career pathways for nontraditional students and workers and workforce development programs. The center would be the State's central resource for the evaluation and translation of learning experiences into a validated record of academic credit, career credentials, pre-apprenticeship and apprenticeship credits, and pertinent knowledge, skills, and abilities. As amended, the validated record developed by the center, under the provisions of the bill, is to be known as the CreateNJ Workforce Transcript.

As amended, CreateNJ would establish a steering committee of 12 members, the purpose of which is to foster partnerships between government and industry for the mapping of credentials and to contribute to the direction and sustainability of the center. The steering committee would be co-chaired by the President of Thomas Edison State University and the Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development, or their designees. As amended, other members of the steering committee would include one representative from each of the following:

- (1) the Division of Consumer Affairs in the Department of Law and Public Safety;
- (2) the Office of the Secretary of Higher Education;
- (3) the Department of Education;
- (4) the Economic Development Authority;
- (5) the New Jersey Business and Industry Association; and
- (6) the New Jersey Council of County Colleges.

As amended, the steering committee will also include three representatives of the New Jersey Presidents' Council, preferably each from different sectors.

Under the bill, CreateNJ would establish a database that houses all of the skills or credits credentialed or accepted by Thomas Edison

State University or other participating institutions of higher education pursuant to the bill.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The committee amended the bill to:

- (1) eliminate the appropriation of \$2 million for the program;
- (2) change the composition of the steering committee by adding the Economic Development Authority and including three representatives of the New Jersey Presidents' Council; and
- (3) make other minor changes.

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE

[First Reprint]

ASSEMBLY, No. 4212

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 220th LEGISLATURE

DATED: DECEMBER 26, 2023

SUMMARY

- Synopsis:** Establishes Center for Career Relevant Education and Talent Evaluation of New Jersey at Thomas Edison State University.
- Type of Impact:** Potential State expenditure increase from the General Fund. Expenditure and revenue increases to Thomas Edison State University.
- Agencies Affected:** Thomas Edison State University.

Office of Legislative Services Estimate

Fiscal Impact	<u>Annual</u>
State Expenditure Increase	Indeterminate
Thomas Edison State University Revenue Increase	Indeterminate
Thomas Edison State University Expenditure Increase	Indeterminate

- The Office of Legislative Services (OLS) finds that this bill may lead to an increase in State costs in each year of implementation. The magnitude of any State cost increase would be dependent on the level of service utilization at the Center for Career Relevant Education and Talent Evaluation of New Jersey (CreateNJ) at Thomas Edison State University, as well as resource allocation decisions made by the State.
- To the extent that the State annually appropriates funds to Thomas Edison State University to establish CreateNJ, the university would experience a revenue increase. The university may realize additional fee revenue in indeterminate amounts for the utilization of services provided by the center.
- The OLS finds that Thomas Edison State University would likely incur costs of its own to operate the center.

BILL DESCRIPTION

The bill establishes the Center for Career Relevant Education and Talent Evaluation of New Jersey (CreateNJ) at Thomas Edison State University. The purpose of CreateNJ would be to maximize collaborations between employers, partner organizations, and institutions of higher education that develop and implement career pathways for nontraditional students and workers and workforce development programs. The center would be the State's central resource for the evaluation and translation of learning experiences into a validated record of academic credit, career credentials, pre-apprenticeship and apprenticeship credits, and pertinent knowledge, skills, and abilities. The validated record developed by the center pursuant to this bill's provisions would be known as the CreateNJ Workforce Transcript.

CreateNJ would also establish a database that houses all of the skills or credits credentialed or accepted by Thomas Edison State University and other voluntarily participating institutions of higher education. The bill permits CreateNJ to assess fees for the utilization of the database and transcript generation, and stipulates that any fee or other revenue collected by the center is to be used to fund the operations of the center.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

None received.

OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

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To the extent that the State annually appropriates funds to Thomas Edison State University to establish CreateNJ, the university would experience a revenue increase. The OLS notes that the FY 2024 Appropriations Act currently provides a total of \$14.3 million in institutional support to Thomas Edison State University. The university may realize additional fee revenue in indeterminate amounts for the utilization of the database and transcript generation. The amount of fee revenue is dependent on the amount and quantity of fees assessed. The university may experience other revenue increases to the extent that it applies for, and is awarded, grant funds made available by the federal government, private foundations or entities, or any other sources.

The OLS finds that Thomas Edison State University would likely incur indeterminate costs of its own to operate CreateNJ. Operating costs under the bill would include hiring staff for the center, entering into contracts as permitted by law to perform certain functions on behalf of the center, and establishing and maintaining a database of individuals' skills or credits in accordance with the bill's provisions.

Section: Education

*Analyst: Abigail Chambers
Associate Fiscal Analyst*

*Approved: Thomas Koenig
Legislative Budget and Finance Officer*

This legislative fiscal estimate has been produced by the Office of Legislative Services due to the failure of the Executive Branch to respond to our request for a fiscal note.

This fiscal estimate has been prepared pursuant to P.L.1980, c.67 (C.52:13B-6 et seq.).

SENATE, No. 2762

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
220th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED JUNE 2, 2022

Sponsored by:

Senator M. TERESA RUIZ

District 29 (Essex)

Senator SANDRA B. CUNNINGHAM

District 31 (Hudson)

SYNOPSIS

Establishes Center for Career Relevant Education and Talent Evaluation of New Jersey at Thomas Edison State University; appropriates \$2 million.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

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33 the steering committee shall include, but need not be limited to,
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8 enter into contracts with public or private individuals,
9 organizations, and institutions necessary for the performance of its
10 duties pursuant to this section. The Center for Career Relevant
11 Education and Talent Evaluation of New Jersey shall apply for and
12 accept grant funds, or any other funds, to support the operations and
13 duties of the center, as made available by the federal government,
14 private foundations or entities, or any other sources.

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16 as may be necessary to effectuate the provisions of this section.

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18 Evaluation of New Jersey may collect fees from organizations using
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23 provided by the center. Any fee or other revenue collected by the
24 center shall be used to fund the operations of the center.

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26 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to Thomas
27 Edison State University the sum of \$2,000,000 for the purposes of
28 this act.

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30 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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16 education pursuant to the bill.

SENATE HIGHER EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 2762

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 9, 2022

The Senate Higher Education Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 2762.

This bill establishes Thomas Edison State University the Center for Career Relevant Education and Talent Evaluation of New Jersey (CreateNJ). The purpose of CreateNJ would be to maximize collaboration between institutions of higher education and partner organizations that develop and implement career pathways for nontraditional students and workers and workforce development programs. The center would be the State's central resource to evaluate and translate learning into a validated record of academic credit, career credentials, pre-apprenticeship and apprenticeship credits, and pertinent knowledge, skills, and abilities. The validated record developed by the center pursuant to this section shall be known as the New Jersey Workforce Transcript.

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SENATE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 2762

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 21, 2023

The Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Senate Bill No. 2762.

As amended, this bill establishes at Thomas Edison State University the Center for Career Relevant Education and Talent Evaluation of New Jersey (CreateNJ). The purpose of CreateNJ would be to maximize collaborations between employers, partner organizations, and institutions of higher education that develop and implement career pathways for nontraditional students and workers and workforce development programs. The center would be the State's central resource for the evaluation and translation of learning experiences into a validated record of academic credit, career credentials, pre-apprenticeship and apprenticeship credits, and pertinent knowledge, skills, and abilities. The validated record developed by the center, under the provisions of the bill, is to be known as the CreateNJ Workforce Transcript.

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State University or other participating institutions of higher education pursuant to the bill.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The committee amended the bill to:

- (1) eliminate the appropriation of \$2 million for the program;
- (2) change the composition of the steering committee by adding the Economic Development Authority and including three representatives of the New Jersey Presidents' Council; and
- (3) make other minor changes.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Office of Legislative Services (OLS) finds that this bill may lead to an increase in State costs in each year of implementation. The magnitude of any State cost increase would be dependent on the level of service utilization at the Center for Career Relevant Education and Talent Evaluation of New Jersey (CreateNJ) at Thomas Edison State University, as well as resource allocation decisions made by the State.

To the extent that the State annually appropriates funds to Thomas Edison State University to establish CreateNJ, the university would experience a revenue increase. The university may realize additional fee revenue in indeterminate amounts for the utilization of services provided by the center.

The OLS finds that Thomas Edison State University would likely incur costs of its own to operate the center.

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE
SENATE, No. 2762
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
220th LEGISLATURE

DATED: AUGUST 25, 2022

SUMMARY

- Synopsis:** Establishes Center for Career Relevant Education and Talent Evaluation of New Jersey at Thomas Edison State University; appropriates \$2 million.
- Type of Impact:** State Expenditure increase from the General Fund. Expenditure and revenue increases to Thomas Edison State University.
- Agencies Affected:** Thomas Edison State University.

Office of Legislative Services Estimate

Fiscal Impact	<u>Year 1</u>	<u>Year 2</u>	<u>Year 3</u>
State Cost Increase	\$2 million	Indeterminate	Indeterminate
Thomas Edison State University			
Revenue Increase	At least \$2 million	Indeterminate	Indeterminate
Thomas Edison State University			
Expenditure Increase	Indeterminate	Indeterminate	Indeterminate

- The Office of Legislative Services (OLS) finds that this bill would increase State costs by \$2 million in its first year of implementation. State costs thereafter to support the Center for Career Relevant Education and Talent Evaluation of New Jersey (CreateNJ) at Thomas Edison State University are indeterminate.
- The bill would concurrently result in a first-year revenue increase of \$2 million in State funds to Thomas Edison State University to establish CreateNJ. The university may realize additional fee revenue in indeterminate amounts from organizations, individuals, and other entities that utilize the services of CreateNJ.
- The OLS finds that Thomas Edison State University would likely incur costs of its own to operate the center.

BILL DESCRIPTION

This bill establishes the Center for Career Relevant Education and Talent Evaluation of New Jersey (CreateNJ) at Thomas Edison State University. The purpose of CreateNJ would be to maximize collaboration between institutions of higher education and partner organizations that develop and implement career pathways for nontraditional students and workers and workforce development programs. The center would be the State's central resource to evaluate and translate learning into a validated record of academic credit, career credentials, pre-apprenticeship and apprenticeship credits, and pertinent knowledge, skills, and abilities. The validated record developed by the center would be known as the New Jersey Workforce Transcript.

CreateNJ would also establish a database that houses all of the skills or credits credentialed or accepted by Thomas Edison State University or other participating institutions of higher education.

The bill permits CreateNJ to collect fees from organizations using approved credentials or professional learning assessments maintained by Thomas Edison State University, from individuals utilizing the New Jersey Workforce Transcript, or from other entities or individuals using the services provided by the center.

The bill appropriates \$2 million from the General Fund to Thomas Edison State University to carry out the purposes of the act.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

None received.

OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

The OLS finds that this bill would increase State costs by \$2 million in its first year of implementation. The OLS notes that the \$2 million appropriated under the bill to support CreateNJ would be in addition to the \$10.528 million total State grants-in-aid appropriation provided to Thomas Edison State University in FY 2023. State support thereafter for CreateNJ at Thomas Edison State University is indeterminate and would be primarily dependent on the level of service utilization at the center as well as resource allocation decisions made by the State.

The bill would concurrently result in a first-year revenue increase of \$2 million in State funds to Thomas Edison State University to establish CreateNJ. The university may realize additional fee revenue in indeterminate amounts from organizations, individuals, and other entities that utilize the services of CreateNJ. The university may experience other revenue increases to the extent it applies for, and is awarded, grant funds made available by the federal government, private foundations or entities, or any other sources.

The OLS finds that Thomas Edison State University would likely incur indeterminate costs of its own to operate CreateNJ. Operating costs under the bill would include hiring staff for the center, entering into contracts as permitted by law to perform certain functions on behalf of the center, and establishing and maintaining a database of individuals' skills or credits in accordance with the bill's provisions.

Section: Education

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This fiscal estimate has been prepared pursuant to P.L.1980, c.67 (C.52:13B-6 et seq.).

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE

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SENATE, No. 2762

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 220th LEGISLATURE

DATED: JANUARY 11, 2024

SUMMARY

- Synopsis:** Establishes Center for Career Relevant Education and Talent Evaluation of New Jersey at Thomas Edison State University.
- Type of Impact:** Potential State expenditure increase from the General Fund. Expenditure and revenue increases to Thomas Edison State University.
- Agencies Affected:** Thomas Edison State University.

Office of Legislative Services Estimate

Fiscal Impact	<u>Annual</u>
State Expenditure Increase	Indeterminate
Thomas Edison State University Revenue Increase	Indeterminate
Thomas Edison State University Expenditure Increase	Indeterminate

- The Office of Legislative Services (OLS) finds that this bill may lead to an increase in State costs in each year of implementation. The magnitude of any State cost increase would be dependent on the level of service utilization at the Center for Career Relevant Education and Talent Evaluation of New Jersey (CreateNJ) at Thomas Edison State University, as well as resource allocation decisions made by the State.
- To the extent that the State annually appropriates funds to Thomas Edison State University to establish CreateNJ, the university would experience a revenue increase. The university may realize additional fee revenue in indeterminate amounts for the utilization of services provided by the center.
- The OLS finds that Thomas Edison State University would likely incur costs of its own to operate the center.

BILL DESCRIPTION

The bill establishes the Center for Career Relevant Education and Talent Evaluation of New Jersey (CreateNJ) at Thomas Edison State University. The purpose of CreateNJ would be to

maximize collaborations between employers, partner organizations, and institutions of higher education that develop and implement career pathways for nontraditional students and workers and workforce development programs. The center would be the State's central resource for the evaluation and translation of learning experiences into a validated record of academic credit, career credentials, pre-apprenticeship and apprenticeship credits, and pertinent knowledge, skills, and abilities. The validated record developed by the center pursuant to this bill's provisions would be known as the CreateNJ Workforce Transcript.

CreateNJ would also establish a database that houses all of the skills or credits credentialed or accepted by Thomas Edison State University and other voluntarily participating institutions of higher education. The bill permits CreateNJ to assess fees for the utilization of the database and transcript generation, and stipulates that any fee or other revenue collected by the center is to be used to fund the operations of the center.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

None received.

OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

The OLS finds that this bill may lead to an increase in State costs in each year of implementation. The magnitude of any annual State cost increase would be dependent on the level of service utilization at the center, as well as resource allocation decisions made by the State.

To the extent that the State annually appropriates funds to Thomas Edison State University to establish CreateNJ, the university would experience a revenue increase. The OLS notes that the FY 2024 Appropriations Act currently provides a total of \$14.3 million in institutional support to Thomas Edison State University. The university may realize additional fee revenue in indeterminate amounts for the utilization of the database and transcript generation. The amount of fee revenue is dependent on the amount and quantity of fees assessed. The university may experience other revenue increases to the extent that it applies for, and is awarded, grant funds made available by the federal government, private foundations or entities, or any other sources.

The OLS finds that Thomas Edison State University would likely incur indeterminate costs of its own to operate CreateNJ. Operating costs under the bill would include hiring staff for the center, entering into contracts as permitted by law to perform certain functions on behalf of the center, and establishing and maintaining a database of individuals' skills or credits in accordance with the bill's provisions.

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Governor Murphy Takes Action on Legislation

01/16/2024

TRENTON – Today, Governor Murphy signed the following bills into law:

SCS for S-281/ACS for A-3791 (Greenstein, Turner/Sumter, Reynolds-Jackson) – w/STATEMENT - Concerns automatic fire sprinkler systems within newly constructed townhouses

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S-539wGR/A-2140 (Ruiz, Pou/Reynolds-Jackson, Wimberly, Mosquera) - Permits online purchase of eligible foods using WIC funds and use of WIC funds for grocery delivery charges

S-659/A-2014 (Oroho, Greenstein/Conaway, Wirths, Umba) - “Manufacturing in Higher Education Act”; requires various State entities to promote manufacturing career pathways for students and provides assistance to manufacturing industry

S-1110/A-3936 (Polistina, Singleton/Guardian, Swift, McClellan) - Authorizes CRDA to finance transportation projects between Atlantic City Airport and Atlantic City Tourism District

S-1662/A-3526 (Ruiz, Codey/Lampitt, Benson, Sauckie) - Requires NJ Youth Suicide Prevention Advisory Council to prepare report regarding suicide prevention instruction in public schools

S-1680wGR/A-2257 (Pou, Ruiz/Murphy, Quijano, Wimberly) - Designates each community college in State as provider of allowable services under SNAP employment and training program

S-2076/ACS for A-3319 (Zwicker, Greenstein/McKnight, Lampitt) - Establishes “Twelfth Grade Postsecondary Transition Year Pilot Program” in Department of Education

S-2535wGR/A-4048 (Polistina, Pou/Benson, McKnight, Reynolds-Jackson, Carter) - Requires health benefits coverage of hearing aids and cochlear implants

S-2841/A-4292 (Scutari, Bramnick/Carter) - Raises minimum amount of liability coverage for commercial motor vehicles and autocabs

SCS for S-3080/ACS for-398 (Ruiz, Burgess/Caputo, Giblin, Tucker) - Establishes position of Youth Disconnection Prevention and Recovery Ombudsperson; establishes “School Disconnection Prevention Task Force”; appropriates \$200,000

S-3102/A-4715 (Smith, Singleton/Stanley, Benson) - Establishes uptime requirement for electric vehicle charging station incentive programs

S-3176/A-4760 (Greenstein, Smith/Swain, Haider, Tully) - Requires DEP and Drinking Water Quality Institute to perform study concerning regulation and treatment of perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances

SCS for S-3632 and 3649w/GR/ACS for A-1948 (Johnson, Cryan/Haider, Conaway, Quijano) - Requires labeling of non-flushable disposable wipes

S-3758/A-5343 (Cryan/Karabinchak) - Changes deadline for unaffiliated mail-in voters to declare their political party before primary election

S-3837/A-5438 (Pou, Cruz-Perez/Pintor Marin, Wimberly) - Clarifies process for administrative appropriations to UEZs

S-3897/A-5578 (Ruiz, Sarlo/Jasey, Carter, Reynolds-Jackson) - Authorizes Higher Education Student Assistance Authority to award annual summer tuition aid grants

S-4040/A-5881 (Polistina, Lagana/Tully, Guardian, Swift) - Concerns jurisdiction and operations of regional municipal courts

S-4084/A-5851 (Ruiz, Cruz-Perez/Moriarty, Calabrese, Moen) - Concerns temporary registration certificates and license plates

S-4130/A-5849 (Codey/Jasey, Tucker) - Special legislation to change name of “Township of South Orange Village” to “South Orange Village”; changes titles of certain municipal officials; permits nonpartisan municipal elections to be moved to November; permits stipend for governing body members

S-4206/A-5856 (Sarlo/Calabrese) - Changes number of signatures required on primary election petition to nominate certain municipal candidates in certain municipalities

S-4209/A-5879 (Sarlo/Pintor Marin) - Eliminates vote on school budgets for Type II school districts in April elections, except for separate proposals to spend above cap

S-4268/A-5911 (Scutari/Danielsen) - Permits certain special State officers to represent cannabis businesses

A-203/S-2884 (Rooney, Benson, Caputo/A.M. Bucco) - Authorizes creation of special license plates commemorating horse as State animal

A-1100/S-995 (Calabrese, Mukherji, McKnight/Ruiz, Stack) - Requires entities to remove abandoned lines and mark information on certain lines

A-1107/S-770 (Chaparro, Murphy, Mukherji/Pou, Beach) - Directs Chief Technology Officer to conduct study on impacts of redacting handwritten signatures published on State websites; allows for protocols for such redactions to be established by rules and regulations

ACS for A-1255/SS for S-1794 (Stanley, Conaway, Benson/Gopal, Singer) - Updates requirements and standards for authorization and prior authorization of health care services

A-1727/S-3300 (Speight, Reynolds-Jackson, Verrelli/Stanfield, Ruiz) - Requires Attorney General to perform outreach and provide services to victims of human trafficking under certain circumstances

A-1729/S-3550 (Speight, Reynolds-Jackson, McKnight/Greenstein, Ruiz) - Requires AG to address human trafficking in underserved communities

A-1755/S-2505 (McKeon, Calabrese, Conaway/Smith, Greenstein) - Requires installation of operational automatic rain sensor or smart sprinkler as condition of sale of certain real properties, and on certain commercial, retail, and industrial properties and common interest communities within specified timeframes

A-2146wGR/S-855 (Reynolds-Jackson, Wimberly, Sumter/Singleton, Beach) - Creates State business assistance program to establish contracting agency procurement goals for socially and economically disadvantaged business enterprises

A-2581/S-2503 (Lampitt, Park/Beach) - Provides that certain cosmetology and hairstyling courses may be taught using distance learning technology

A-3142/S-1564 (Moen, Moriarty, Benson/Singleton, Corrado) - Authorizes grants to purchase and rehabilitate abandoned homes for homeless veterans

A-3211/S-2302 (Speight, Haider, Swain/Gopal, Ruiz) - Establishes “New Jersey Feminine Hygiene Products for the Homeless Act”

A-3980/S-2706 (Speight, McKnight, Atkins/Zwicker, Turner) - Grants child placed in resource family care and resource family parents the right to be notified when case manager or supervisor is assigned to child; grants child in resource family care right to be notified of certain property and benefits

A-4033wGR/S-2657 (Coughlin, Wimberly/Sarlo, Ruiz) - Extends deadline for completion of school district’s annual audit

A-4049/S-3495 (McKnight, Reynolds-Jackson, Benson/Vitale, Johnson) - Provides for presumptive eligibility for home and community-based services and services provided through program of all-inclusive care for the elderly under Medicaid

A-4105/S-4202 (Lopez, Jimenez, Quijano/Vitale, Turner) - Establishes Interagency Council on Homelessness

A-4183/S-4264 (Haider/Singleton) - Concerns local unit filing requirement for certain shared services agreements

A-4212/S-2762 (Pintor Marin, Reynolds-Jackson, Verrelli/Ruiz, Cunningham) - Establishes Center for Career Relevant Education and Talent Evaluation of New Jersey at Thomas Edison State University

A-4337/S-4156 (Conaway, Atkins, Rooney/Singleton, Pou) - Requires Department of Health to provide information to Statewide 2-1-1 telephone system regarding the location of safe disposal sites for hypodermic syringes and needles and prescription drugs

ACS for A-4496/SCS for S-3247 (Coughlin, Lampitt, Karabinchak, Wimberly/Zwicker, Greenstein) - Revises various provisions of law governing construction of school facilities projects and operations of New Jersey Schools Development Authority; establishes "Charter School and Renaissance School Project Facilities Loan Program" in EDA

A-4522/S-3234 (Moen, McKnight, Quijano/Singer, Singleton) - Requires certain disclosures by sellers of single-family homes with solar panels installed

A-4691/S-1530 (Swain, DeAngelo, Speight/Greenstein, Zwicker) - Requires hazard mitigation plans to include climate change-related threat assessments and hazard prevention and mitigation strategies

A-4723/S-2740 (McKeon, Moriarty, Rooney/Codey, Scutari) - Requires motor vehicle dealer to offer to delete personal information in motor vehicles in certain situations

A-4791/S-3184 (Kennedy, Haider, McKeon/Diegnan, Sarlo) - Establishes "Resiliency and Environmental System Investment Charge Program"

ACS for A-4794/S-3224 (Benson, Mukherji/Singleton, Turner) - Requires request for proposal to establish demonstration projects to develop electric vehicle charging depots serviced by distributed energy resource charging centers for certain electric vehicle use

A-4814/S-1023 (Moen, Wimberly/Singleton, Gopal) - Removes expected family contribution from calculation of financial need under circumstances in which public institutions of higher education may reduce student's institutional financial aid

ACS for A-4821 and 4823wGR/S-3283 (Karabinchak, Conaway, Schaer/Greenstein, Zwicker) - Directs DEP to take certain actions concerning identification and testing of microplastics in drinking water, and requires DEP and BPU to study and promote use of microplastics removal technologies

A-4955/S-3531 (S. Kean, Thomson/Singer, Gopal) - Designates portion of State Highway Route 71 as "John Tarantino Highway"

A-5094/S-3476 (Spearman/Beach, Greenstein) - Concerns licensing of security officer companies

A-5227/S-3662 (Danielsen, Space/Smith, Oroho) - Expands eligibility for "fishing buddy license" fee

A-5285/SCS for S-3708 (Greenwald, Haider, Lopez/Greenstein, A.M. Bucco) - Requires copies of certain law enforcement records to be provided to victims of domestic violence upon request

A-5293/S-3746 (Greenwald, McKnight, Rooney/Gopal, Ruiz) - Concerns New Jersey Civic Information Consortium

A-5311/S-3061 (Verrelli, McKnight, Matsikoudis/Stanfield, Turner) - Enters New Jersey into Counseling Compact

A-5391/S-3765 (DeAngelo/Diegnan, Corrado) - Imposes conditions on drivers approaching disabled vehicles

A-5412/S-3850 (Greenwald, Swain, Jasey/Gopal, Singer) - Establishes nonpublic school transportation program to provide funding to consortiums of nonpublic schools that will assume responsibility for mandated nonpublic school busing

A-5416wGR/S-3883 (Wimberly, Giblin, Haider/Greenstein, Turner) - Requires State Board of Education to authorize alternate route to expedite teacher certification of persons employed as paraprofessionals in school districts

A-5442/S-3793 (Karabinchak, Conaway, McKeon/Smith, Greenstein) - Directs BPU to conduct study to determine feasibility, marketability, and costs of implementing large-scale geothermal heat pump systems in State

A-5462/S-3867 (Coughlin, McKnight, Speight/Vitale, Turner) - Revises law establishing Office of Food Security Advocate, and establishes certain conditions for use of monies appropriated to emergency food organizations

ACS for A-5495/SCS for S-3846 (Danielsen/Scutari, A.M. Bucco) - Clarifies types of firearms allowed to be carried or transported while hunting

A-5516/S-4047 (Reynolds-Jackson, Verrelli, Conaway/Burgess, Turner) - Requires certain health care professionals to undergo bias training

A-5565/S-3971 (S. Kean, Thomson/Gopal) - Provides that 10-year term does not apply to lease of certain municipal properties unless they are waterfront properties or related to waterfront concessions

A-5567/S-3807 (Torrissi, Calabrese/A.M. Bucco, Sarlo) - Extends period of usefulness of fire engines for bonding purposes from 10 to 20 years; eliminates exclusion of passenger cars and station wagons

A-5582/S-3781 (Swain, Simonsen/Lagana, Cryan) - Establishes grant program for NJ YouthBuild programs through DOLWD; makes appropriation

A-5610wGR/S-3954 (Greenwald, Spearman, Chaparro/Beach, A.M. Bucco) - Revises penalties for possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages by underage persons

A-5748/S-4166 (Spearman, Moen, Moriarty/Cruz-Perez, Madden) - Amends definition of "participating county" under County Option Hospital Fee Program

A-5755/S-4183 (Carter, Sumter, Wimberly, Quijano/Scutari, Singleton) - Enhances notice requirements and occupancy restrictions for hotels and multiple dwellings following determination of potentially hazardous condition

A-5799/S-1472 (Moen, Moriarty/Beach, Stack) - Authorizes DOT to establish and administer toll collection and enforcement system on behalf of NJ toll authorities and to enter into reciprocal agreements for enforcement of toll violations with toll authorities from other states

A-5806/S-4165 (Moriarty, Sauickie/Greenstein, Oroho) - Appropriates \$48 million from constitutionally dedicated CBT revenues to DEP for State acquisition of lands for recreation and conservation purposes, including Blue Acres projects, and Green Acres Program administrative costs

A-5807/S-4138 (Freiman/Johnson, Schepisi) - Appropriates \$58 million from constitutionally dedicated CBT revenues for recreation and conservation purposes to DEP for State capital and park development projects

A-5808/S-4135 (Park, Freiman, Lopez/Beach, Turner) - Appropriates \$15,564,293 from constitutionally dedicated CBT revenues to NJ Historic Trust for grants for certain historic preservation projects and associated administrative expenses

A-5809/S-4097 (Swain, Lopez, Sauickie/Zwicker, Gopal) - Amends lists of projects eligible to receive loans for environmental infrastructure projects from NJ Infrastructure Bank for FY 2024

A-5810/S-4098 (Sampson, Sauickie, Lopez/Greenstein, Stanfield) - Amends lists of environmental infrastructure projects approved for long-term funding by DEP under FY 2024 environmental infrastructure funding program

A-5828/S-4201 (Lopez/Vitale) - Authorizes State Treasurer to sell as surplus certain real property and improvements in Township of Woodbridge in Middlesex County

A-5835/S-4134 (Greenwald, Lampitt/Beach, Turner) - Authorizes regional authority to develop and operate regional rehabilitation and reentry center

A-5836/S-4212 (DeAngelo, Sumter, Wimberly/Gopal, Greenstein) - Makes supplemental appropriation of \$650,000 to New Jersey Division of State Police for trooper recruitment and retention

A-5910/S-4266 (Egan/Codey) - Increases annual salary of certain public employees and officers

AJR-200/SJR-138 (Park, Freiman, Calabrese/Lagana) - Designates November 22 of each year as Kimchi Day

Governor Murphy pocket vetoed the following bills:

S-2989/A-1739 (Pou, Singer/McKeon, Quijano, Flynn) - Makes certain for-profit debt adjusters eligible for licensing to conduct business in State

S-3172/A-4689 (Gopal, Turner/Lampitt, Matsikoudis, McKnight) - Establishes teacher certification route for candidates with Montessori teaching credentials

- S-3287/ACS for A-4852 and 1170 (Turner/Reynolds-Jackson, Jasey, Dunn, Wimberly, Calabrese, Spearman, Verrilli)** - Requires institutions of higher education to maintain supply and develop policy governing use of naloxone hydrochloride nasal spray for opioid overdose emergencies
- A-1476/S-930 (Benson, Dancer/Holzapfel, Diegnan)** - Exempts certain motor vehicles that are owned by certain nutrition programs and certain nonprofit organizations that offer social services from motor vehicle registration fees
- A-3642/S-665 (Wirhths, Murphy, Benson, Oroho/Greenstein)** - Requires MVC to place designation on motor vehicle's registration information indicating registrant is deaf
- A-3945/S-1660 (Quijano, Reynolds-Jackson, Carter/Ruiz, Singleton)** - Establishes "Male Teachers of Color Mentorship Pilot Program"; appropriates \$95,000
- A-4177/S-2478 (Mosquera, Swain, McKnight, Tucker, Dunn/Ruiz, Vitale)** - Extends duration of law requiring certain provider subsidy payments for child care services be based on enrollment
- A-4396/S-2927 (Lampitt, Jasey, Caputo/Codey)** - Establishes timelines for review and approval by Commissioner of Education of annual certified audits submitted by approved private schools for students with disabilities
- A-4621/S-3156 (Mosquera, Greenwald, Swain/Madden)** - Requires issuance of report on certain information and data on processing of applications for professional and occupational licenses and mandates review of training and call intake in Division of Consumer Affairs.
- A-4740/S-2970 (Mukherji, DeAngelo, McKnight/Cruz-Perez, Turner)** - Provides employee access to employee's employment records on file with DOLWD
- A-5294/S-1825 (Greenwald, Swain, Rooney/Steinhardt, Sarlo, Doherty)** - Exempts sales of investment metal bullion and investment coins from sales and use tax
- A-5893/S-4228 (Karabinchak, Calabrese, Sauckie/Gopal, Sarlo)** - Extends annual horse racing purse subsidies through State fiscal year 2029