

# Article V, Section I, Paragraph 14 New Jersey Constitution

## LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

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**New Jersey Constitution: Article V, Section I, Paragraph 14**

**BILL NO:** ACR117

**SPONSOR:** Burstein, Baer, Stockman, Garvin, Fortunato, Thompson, Hollenbeck, McConnell, Girgenti, Pellecchia, Bate, Riley, Van Wagner, Burgio, Kern

**DATE INTRODUCED:** 4/14/1980

**COMMITTEE:** **Assembly:** State Government, Federal and Interstate Relations and Veterans Affairs  
**Senate:** --

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<b>COMMITTEE STATEMENT:</b> <b>ASSEMBLY:</b>	Yes
<b>SENATE:</b>	No
<b>FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT:</b>	No
<b>LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE:</b>	No
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C758 Committee on ACR-117 [concerning the pocket veto] : held June 11, 1980 ... Trenton, New Jersey.  
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**NEWSPAPER ARTICLES:**

Yes

Purdy, Matthew, 'Senate to weigh move cutting veto power', *Trenton Times*, 10/10/1980, pg 6

Associated Press, 'Top curt upholds 'pocket veto' power, citing state tradition', *Trenton Times*, 7/30/1981, pg 19, pg  
22

'Too much courtesy', *Trenton Times*, 8/31/1981, pg 7

Burstein, Albert, 'Yes vote requested', *Trenton Times*, 10/31/1981, pg 6

'Notice to Voters', *Trenton Times*, 10/30/1981, pg 12

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# ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 117

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED APRIL 14, 1980

By Assemblymen BURSTEIN, BAER, STOCKMAN, Assemblywoman GARVIN, Assemblymen FORTUNATO, THOMPSON, HOLLENBECK, Assemblywoman McCONNELL, Assemblymen GIRGENTI, PELLECCIA, BATE and RILEY

Referred to Committee on State Government, Federal and Interstate Relations and Veterans Affairs

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION proposing to amend Article V, Section I, paragraph 14, of the Constitution.

1 BE IT RESOLVED *by the General Assembly of the State of New*  
2 *Jersey (the Senate concurring):*

1 1. The following proposed amendment of the Constitution is  
2 agreed to:

### PROPOSED AMENDMENT

3 Amend Article V, Section I, paragraph 14, to read as follows:

4 14. **[(a)** Every bill which shall have passed both houses shall be  
5 presented to the Governor. If he approves he shall sign it, but if  
6 not he shall return it, with his objections, to the house in which it  
7 shall have originated, which shall enter the objections at large on  
8 its journal and proceed to reconsider it. If upon reconsideration,  
9 on or after the third day following the return of the bill, two-thirds  
10 of all the members of the house of origin shall agree to pass the  
11 bill, it shall be sent, together with the objections of the Governor,  
12 to the other house, by which it shall be reconsidered and if approved  
13 by two-thirds of all the members of that house, it shall become  
14 a law; and in all such cases the votes of each house shall be  
15 determined by yeas and nays, and the names of the persons voting  
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 22 of a regular or special session, the bill shall become a law on the day  
 23 on which the house of origin shall reconvene, unless the Governor  
 24 shall on that day return the bill to that house.

25 (b) If on the tenth day the Legislature is in adjournment sine  
 26 die, the bill shall become a law if the Governor shall sign it within  
 27 45 days, Sundays excepted, after such adjournment. On the said  
 28 forty-fifth day the bill shall become a law, notwithstanding the  
 29 failure of the Governor to sign it within the period last stated,  
 30 unless at or before noon he shall return it with his objections to  
 31 the house of origin:

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 33 convened in regular or special session of the same 2-year  
 34 Legislature and shall be meeting on said day, or

35 (2) on the day upon which the house shall reconvene, if  
 36 it is in temporary adjournment in the course of a regular  
 37 or special session of the same 2-year Legislature on said  
 38 forty-fifth day, or

39 (3) on said forty-fifth day, if the house is in adjournment  
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 41 which shall convene on that day, without petition or call, for  
 42 the sole purpose of acting pursuant to this paragraph upon  
 43 bills returned by the Governor. At such special session  
 44 a bill may be reconsidered on or after the first day following  
 45 return of a bill, in the manner provided in this paragraph  
 46 for the reconsideration of bills, and if approved upon recon-  
 47 sideration by two-thirds of all the members of each house,  
 48 it shall become a law. ]

48A (a) *When a bill has finally passed both houses, the house in which*  
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 49 *to be presented to the Governor before the close of the calendar*  
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 51 *was taken; except that if such final action is taken on or after the*  
 52 *first Monday in December of a first annual session of a 2-year*  
 53 *Legislature, the bill shall be presented to the Governor immediately.*

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74 2-year Legislature shall be returned not later than noon of  
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83 bills returned by the Governor, on the forty-fifth day next follow-  
84 ing adjournment sine die of the regular session; or, if the second  
85 annual session of a 2-year Legislature will expire before said  
86 forty-fifth day, then the day next preceding the expiration of the  
86A legislative year.

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94 objections of the Governor, to the other house; and if, upon recon-  
95 sideration, it is approved by two-thirds of all the members of the  
96 house, it shall become a law. In all such cases the votes of each  
97 house shall be determined by yeas and nays, and the names of the  
98 persons voting for and against the bill shall be entered on the  
99 journals of the respective houses.

100 (f) The Governor, in returning with his objections a bill for  
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102 may recommend that an amendment or amendments specified by  
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105 shall be presented again to the Governor, but shall become a law  
106 only if he shall sign it within 10 days after presentation; and no  
107 bill shall be returned by the Governor a second time. [A special  
108 session of the Legislature shall not be convened pursuant to this  
109 paragraph whenever the forty-fifth day, Sundays excepted, after  
110 adjournment sine die of a regular or special session shall fall on or  
111 after the last day of the legislative year in which the second annual  
112 session was held; in which event any bill not signed by the Governor  
113 within such 45-day period shall not become a law.]

1     2. When this proposed amendment to the Constitution is finally  
2 agreed to, pursuant to Article IX, paragraph 1 of the Constitution,  
3 it shall be submitted to the people at the next general election  
4 occurring more than 3 months after such final agreement and shall  
5 be published at least once in at least one newspaper of each county  
6 designated by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the  
7 General Assembly and the Secretary of State, not less than 3  
8 months prior to said general election.

1     3. This proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be sub-  
2 mitted to the people at said election in the following manner and  
3 form:

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7 a legend which shall immediately precede the question, as follows:

8     If you favor the proposition printed below make a cross (X),  
9 plus (+) or check (V) in the square opposite the word "Yes." If  
10 you are opposed thereto make a cross (X), plus (+) or check (V)  
11 in the square opposite the word "No."

12 b. In every municipality, the following question:

		<b>CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT: REVISION OF PROVISIONS ON GOVERNOR'S VETO</b>
	Yes.	Shall the amendment of Article V, Section I, paragraph 14, of the Constitution, agreed to by the Legislature, and (1) requiring that all bills passed by the Legislature be presented to the Governor on the same or next day; (2) extending the time allowed for the consideration of such bills to 45 days, with certain exceptions, and preventing any bill from becoming law if it is presented to the Governor so as not to allow him at least 10 days for consideration unless he signs it within the time actually allowed; and (3) providing for special legislative sessions at the close of each legislative term, so as to ensure that all bills to which the Governor objects shall be subject to reconsideration by the Legislature; be approved?
	No.	

#### STATEMENT

This proposed constitutional amendment is intended to prevent abuse of the so-called "pocket veto"—that is, the gubernatorial veto that is delayed until such time as the Legislature that passed the vetoed bill is no longer in existence. The practice thwarts the plain intent of the Constitution, and renders the Governor's veto, in such cases, practically absolute.

The original provisions of the 1947 Constitution designed to prevent pocket-vetos have been rendered ineffective by (1) the custom that has prevailed in the Legislature for the past 30 years of remaining in session throughout the year, instead of adjourning sine die in the spring—thus effectually preventing the holding of the special sessions intended by the Constitution to deal with bills vetoed after adjournment; and (2) the custom of not "presenting" passed bills to the Governor until requested by him—thus enabling him to determine when the 10-day period allowed for his consideration will begin to run.

The combined effect of these two customs is to allow a Governor to hold in limbo any bill passed in the Second Annual Session of any term to which he objects, and then to veto it at such time as the Legislature has no recourse.

This proposed amendment would:

(1) Fix a time for prompt presentation of passed bills to the Governor. Ordinarily the presentation would be within a day of

final passage; for bills passed near the end of a session it would be the same day as passed.

(2) Offset any practical problems created by prompt presentation by extending the time allowed for the Governor's consideration to 45 days. Exceptions to this would be bills passed late in the second annual session of a legislative term, which would become law unless returned with objections before the end of the session; to assure that such bills would be returned and subject to legislative reconsideration, a special session is fixed the day before the end of a Second Annual Session, at which the Legislature must convene solely for this purpose. In any case, however, no bill could become law without the Governor's approval unless he were allowed at least 10 days for its consideration.

The special sessions thus provided for would not need to be held, however, in any year where early adjournment sine die permitted the holding of the "Constitutional Session" originally provided in the 1947 Constitution for dealing with vetos.

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ASSEMBLY STATE GOVERNMENT, FEDERAL AND  
INTERSTATE RELATIONS AND VETERANS  
AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO  
**ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 117**  
with Assembly committee amendments

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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

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DATED: JUNE 9, 1980

This proposed Constitutional amendment is intended to prevent abuse of the so-called "pocket veto"—that is, the gubernatorial veto that is delayed until such time as the Legislature that passed the vetoed bill is no longer in existence.

Under this proposed amendment, bills passed by the Legislature would be presented to the Governor no later than the day after final legislative action. The Governor would have 45 days following presentation to consider the bills, after which time the bills would automatically become law if the Governor has taken no action. Bills passed late in the second year of the legislative term (namely, between the 45th day and the 10th day preceding expiration of the second legislative year) would automatically become law if the Governor has taken no action before the end of the legislative year; to assure the opportunity for legislative reconsideration in the event of a gubernatorial veto of those bills, a special session would be convened the day before the end of the second legislative year solely for the purpose of acting on bills returned by the Governor. (Such special sessions would not be needed if the Legislature adjourned sine die early, in which case the special sessions would be held on the 45th day after adjournment.) Bills passed in the last 10 days of the second legislative year would become law only if the Governor signed the bills or the Legislature passed the bills after being vetoed by the Governor. Thus, under this arrangement, the possibility of a "pocket veto" would exist only for bills passed in the last 10 days of the second legislative year.

The sponsor argues that "The practice [of a "pocket veto"] thwarts the plain intent of the Constitution, and renders the Governor's veto, in such cases, practically absolute." He asserts that "The original provisions of the 1947 Constitution designed to prevent pocket-vetoes have been rendered ineffective by (1) the custom that has prevailed in the Legislature for the past 30 years of remaining in session throughout

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The committee amended the proposed Constitutional amendment to make certain changes in the language for the purpose of clarity and uniformity.

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ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS TO  
ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 117

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

ADOPTED MAY 5, 1980

Amend page 2, section 1, line 51, omit “; except that if such final action is taken on or after the”.

Amend page 2, section 1, line 52, omit.

Amend page 2, section 1, line 53, omit “Legislature, the bill shall be presented to the Governor immediately”.

Amend page 3, section 1, lines 73-79, omit.

Amend page 3, section 1, after line 79, insert the following:

“(2) any bill passed between the forty-fifth day and the tenth day preceding the expiration of the second legislative year shall be returned by the Governor, if he objects to it, not later than noon of the day next preceding the expiration of the second legislative year;

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Amend page 3, section 1, line 85, omit “annual session”, insert “legislative year”.

Amend page 5, section 3 question box, lines 9-13, omit “, and preventing any bill from becoming law if it is presented to the Governor so as not to allow him at least 10 days for consideration unless he signs it within the time actually allowed”.

Amend page 5, section 3 question box, line 17, after “objects”, insert “, except for bills passed within the last 10 days of the second legislative year,”.

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12 b. In every municipality, the following question :

	Yes.	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT: REVISION OF PROVISIONS ON GOVERNOR'S VETO</b></p> <p>Shall the amendment of Article V, Section I, paragraph 14, of the Constitution, agreed to by the Legislature, and (1) requiring that all bills passed by the Legislature be presented to the Governor on the same or next day; (2) extending the time allowed for the consideration of such bills to 45 days, with certain exceptions*<b>]</b>, and preventing any bill from becoming law if it is presented to the Governor so as not to allow him at least 10 days for consideration unless he signs it within the time actually allowed]<b>*</b>; and (3) providing for special legislative sessions at the close of each legislative term, so as to ensure that all bills to which the Governor objects*, <i>except for bills passed within the last 10 days of the second legislative year,*</i> shall be subject to reconsideration by the Legislature; be approved?</p>
	No.	

