

4:10-25.1

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LAWS OF: 2011 **CHAPTER:** 10

NJSA: 4:10-25.1 (Establishes "Jersey Fresh Farm to School Week")

BILL NO: A2854 (Substituted for S2515)

SPONSOR(S) McKeon and others

DATE INTRODUCED: June 10, 2010

COMMITTEE: **ASSEMBLY:** Agriculture and Natural Resources

SENATE: Economic Growth

AMENDED DURING PASSAGE: Yes

DATE OF PASSAGE: **ASSEMBLY:** June 21, 2010

SENATE: December 13, 2010

DATE OF APPROVAL: January 28, 2011

FOLLOWING ARE ATTACHED IF AVAILABLE:

FINAL TEXT OF BILL (First reprint enacted)

A2854

SPONSOR'S STATEMENT: (Begins on page 3 of original bill)	Yes
COMMITTEE STATEMENT:	ASSEMBLY: Yes
	SENATE: Yes

(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:	No

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SPONSOR'S STATEMENT: (Begins on page 3 of original bill)	Yes
COMMITTEE STATEMENT:	ASSEMBLY: No
	SENATE: Yes
FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT:	No
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE:	No

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LAW/RWH

§§1,2 -
C.4:10-25.1 &
4:10-25.2
§3 - Note

P.L.2011, CHAPTER 10, *approved January 28, 2011*
Assembly, No. 2854 (*First Reprint*)

1 **AN ACT** establishing “Jersey Fresh Farm to School Week” and
2 providing for its implementation, and supplementing Title 4 of
3 the Revised Statutes.

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

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8 1. a. The Department of Agriculture, in cooperation with the
9 Department of Education, shall coordinate with farmers in the State,
10 the New Jersey Farm to School Network or its successor entity,
11 public, private, and charter schools and their food services, and
12 other interested and relevant organizations and groups, as
13 determined by the Department of Agriculture and the Department of
14 Education, to establish an annual week of promotional events to be
15 known as “Jersey Fresh Farm to School Week.” The week shall be
16 celebrated each year throughout the State with the holding of
17 relevant promotional events during the last week of September.

18 b. “Jersey Fresh Farm to School Week” shall highlight and
19 promote the value and importance of New Jersey agriculture and
20 fresh foods produced in New Jersey, and the value and importance
21 of fresh farm foods for children, their general health, and their
22 success in school. The promotional events shall be provided to:

23 (1) children through school breakfast, lunch, and snack
24 programs and in the classroom;

25 (2) community groups, churches, and service organizations;

26 (3) the public at large at farms and community farmers markets;
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28 (4) other organizations or groups or at other locations in the State
29 determined by the Department of Agriculture to be beneficial for
30 the success of promoting the value and importance of New Jersey
31 agriculture and fresh foods produced in New Jersey.

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33 2. a. The Department of Agriculture shall develop the program
34 and, pursuant to the “Administrative ¹**[Procedures]** Procedure¹
35 Act,” P.L.1968, c.410 (C.¹**[52B-1]** 52:14B-1¹ et seq.), adopt rules
36 and regulations for its implementation, including, but not
37 necessarily limited to, providing:

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 AAN committee amendments adopted June 17, 2010.

- 1 (1) encouragement ¹**【and incentives】**¹ for schools that participate
2 in school meal programs to expand or improve kitchen facilities to
3 allow for producing meals that incorporate more fresh, locally
4 grown or produced farm produce, fruit or other products on a daily
5 basis;
- 6 (2) a bidding matrix that provides for school purchases of New
7 Jersey-grown food and allows schools to adopt price preferences for
8 local agricultural and farm products; and
- 9 (3) in conjunction and cooperation with the Department of
10 Education, the incorporation and coordination of school curricula
11 with information about:
- 12 (a) New Jersey agriculture;
- 13 (b) the importance and significance of farms and farmers to
14 New Jersey’s economy, culture, history, and quality of life; and
- 15 (c) the health value of eating fresh farm foods and locally grown
16 produce and fruits.
- 17 b. The Department of Agriculture, in conjunction with the
18 Department of Education, shall develop a training program with the
19 emphasis on the theme of “Farm to School” and shall offer this
20 program ¹**【at no cost】**¹ to schools, teachers, and other event
21 providers.
- 22 c. The Department of Agriculture shall establish a “New Jersey
23 Farm to School” ¹**【web site】** website¹ to provide opportunities for
24 farmers, distributors, and schools to create purchasing networks, to
25 develop and refine promotional events for “Jersey Fresh Farm to
26 School Week,” and to disseminate information about the events.
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- 28 3. This act shall take effect on June 1 next following the date of
29 enactment.

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Establishes “Jersey Fresh Farm to School Week.”

ASSEMBLY, No. 2854

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 214th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED JUNE 10, 2010

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman JOHN F. MCKEON

District 27 (Essex)

Assemblyman JOHN J. BURZICHELLI

District 3 (Salem, Cumberland and Gloucester)

SYNOPSIS

Establishes "Jersey Fresh Farm to School Week."

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 6/18/2010)

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2 providing for its implementation, and supplementing Title 4 of
3 the Revised Statutes.

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12 other interested and relevant organizations and groups, as
13 determined by the Department of Agriculture and the Department of
14 Education, to establish an annual week of promotional events to be
15 known as “Jersey Fresh Farm to School Week.” The week shall be
16 celebrated each year throughout the State with the holding of
17 relevant promotional events during the last week of September.

18 b. “Jersey Fresh Farm to School Week” shall highlight and
19 promote the value and importance of New Jersey agriculture and
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33 2. a. The Department of Agriculture shall develop the program
34 and, pursuant to the “Administrative Procedures Act,” P.L.1968,
35 c.410 (C.52B-1 et seq.), adopt rules and regulations for its
36 implementation, including, but not necessarily limited to, providing:

37 (1) encouragement and incentives for schools that participate in
38 school meal programs to expand or improve kitchen facilities to
39 allow for producing meals that incorporate more fresh, locally
40 grown or produced farm produce, fruit or other products on a daily
41 basis;

42 (2) a bidding matrix that provides for school purchases of New
43 Jersey-grown food and allows schools to adopt price preferences for
44 local agricultural and farm products; and

45 (3) in conjunction and cooperation with the Department of
46 Education, the incorporation and coordination of school curricula
47 with information about:

48 (a) New Jersey agriculture;

1 (b) the importance and significance of farms and farmers to
2 New Jersey's economy, culture, history, and quality of life; and

3 (c) the health value of eating fresh farm foods and locally grown
4 produce and fruits.

5 b. The Department of Agriculture, in conjunction with the
6 Department of Education, shall develop a training program with the
7 emphasis on the theme of "Farm to School" and shall offer this
8 program at no cost to schools, teachers, and other event providers.

9 c. The Department of Agriculture shall establish a "New Jersey
10 Farm to School" web site to provide opportunities for farmers,
11 distributors, and schools to create purchasing networks, to develop
12 and refine promotional events for "Jersey Fresh Farm to School
13 Week," and to disseminate information about the events.

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15 3. This act shall take effect on June 1 next following the date of
16 enactment.

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21 This bill establishes "Jersey Fresh Farm to School Week" to be
22 celebrated the last week of September annually with promotional
23 events offered throughout the week and throughout the State to
24 promote the value and importance of New Jersey agriculture and
25 fresh foods produced in New Jersey, and the value and importance
26 of fresh farm foods for children, their general health, and their
27 success in school.

ASSEMBLY AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 2854

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 17, 2010

The Assembly Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 2854.

The bill, as amended, establishes “Jersey Fresh Farm to School Week” to be celebrated annually during the last week of September with promotional events offered throughout the week and throughout the State to promote the value and importance of New Jersey agriculture and fresh foods produced in New Jersey, and the value and importance of fresh farm foods for children, their general health, and their success in school.

The committee amendments delete certain requirements under the bill and make technical corrections to the bill.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The committee amendments:

- 1) delete the provision that the Department of Agriculture provide incentives for schools to participate in the promotional events;
- 2) delete the provision that there would be no cost for the Department of Agriculture training program; and
- 3) make technical corrections.

SENATE ECONOMIC GROWTH COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

[First Reprint]

ASSEMBLY, No. 2854

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: OCTOBER 14, 2010

The Senate Economic Growth Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 2854 (1R).

The bill establishes “Jersey Fresh Farm to School Week” to be celebrated annually during the last week of September with promotional events offered throughout the week and throughout the State to promote the value and importance of New Jersey agriculture and fresh foods produced in New Jersey, and the value and importance of fresh farm foods for children, their general health, and their success in school.

SENATE, No. 2125

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 214th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED JUNE 24, 2010

Sponsored by:

Senator JIM WHELAN

District 2 (Atlantic)

Senator STEVEN V. OROHO

District 24 (Sussex, Hunterdon and Morris)

Co-Sponsored by:

Senators Ruiz and Madden

SYNOPSIS

Establishes "Jersey Fresh Farm to School Week."

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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38 programs to expand or improve kitchen facilities to allow for
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40 produced farm produce, fruit or other products on a daily basis;

41 (2) a bidding matrix that provides for school purchases of New
42 Jersey-grown food and allows schools to adopt price preferences for
43 local agricultural and farm products; and

44 (3) in conjunction and cooperation with the Department of
45 Education, the incorporation and coordination of school curricula
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2 New Jersey's economy, culture, history, and quality of life; and

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6 Department of Education, shall develop a training program with the
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26 and importance of fresh farm foods for children, their general
27 health, and their success in school.

SENATE ECONOMIC GROWTH COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 2125

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: OCTOBER 14, 2010

The Senate Economic Growth Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 2125.

The bill establishes “Jersey Fresh Farm to School Week” to be celebrated annually during the last week of September with promotional events offered throughout the week and throughout the State to promote the value and importance of New Jersey agriculture and fresh foods produced in New Jersey, and the value and importance of fresh farm foods for children, their general health, and their success in school.