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P.L.2013, CHAPTER 248, *approved January 17, 2014*  
Assembly, No. 2978 (*First Reprint*)

1 AN ACT concerning the Department of Agriculture website and  
2 supplementing Title 4 of the Revised Statutes.

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

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7 1. a. The Department of Agriculture shall publish on <sup>1</sup>**the**  
8 department's] its<sup>1</sup> Internet website the location and contact  
9 information for every winery licensed in New Jersey. <sup>1</sup>The  
10 department shall additionally post on its Internet website a link to  
11 any list of wineries that has been published on any other State  
12 agency Internet website, including, but not limited to, the website  
13 maintained by the Division of Travel and Tourism in the  
14 Department of State.<sup>1</sup>

15 b. The Department of Agriculture shall publish on <sup>1</sup>**the**  
16 department's] its<sup>1</sup> Internet website the location and contact  
17 information for any community supported agriculture entity in New  
18 Jersey that has provided such information to the department. A  
19 community supported agriculture entity may also provide the  
20 department with information concerning the agricultural output of  
21 the entity, and this information may be published on the  
22 department's Internet website at the discretion of the Secretary of  
23 Agriculture.

24 c. In addition to publishing the information as required in  
25 subsections a. and b. of this section, the department may distribute  
26 <sup>1</sup>**it**] the information<sup>1</sup> by any other method it deems best adapted to  
27 the efficient dissemination thereof.

28 <sup>1</sup>d.<sup>1</sup> The department shall accept information, or changes  
29 thereto, from wineries and community supported agriculture entities  
30 through an electronic submission form made available by the  
31 department on its Internet website.

32 <sup>1</sup>**d.] e.**<sup>1</sup> As used in this section, "community supported  
33 agriculture entity" means a commercial farm from which a person  
34 may purchase a share in the agricultural or horticultural output of  
35 the farm.

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37 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

**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:

<sup>1</sup>Assembly AAN committee amendments adopted October 15, 2012.

**A2978 [1R]**

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Requires Department of Agriculture to publish on its website information concerning wineries and community supported agriculture entities in NJ.

# ASSEMBLY, No. 2978

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 215th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED MAY 21, 2012

**Sponsored by:**

**Assemblyman NELSON T. ALBANO**  
**District 1 (Atlantic, Cape May and Cumberland)**  
**Assemblyman JOHN J. BURZICHELLI**  
**District 3 (Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem)**  
**Assemblyman MATTHEW W. MILAM**  
**District 1 (Atlantic, Cape May and Cumberland)**

**Co-Sponsored by:**

**Assemblyman DeAngelo**

**SYNOPSIS**

Requires Department of Agriculture to publish on its website information concerning wineries and community supported agriculture entities in NJ.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 10/12/2012)**

1 AN ACT concerning the Department of Agriculture website and  
2 supplementing Title 4 of the Revised Statutes.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
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7 1. a. The Department of Agriculture shall publish on the  
8 department's Internet website the location and contact information  
9 for every winery licensed in New Jersey.

10 b. The Department of Agriculture shall publish on the  
11 department's Internet website the location and contact information  
12 for any community supported agriculture entity in New Jersey that  
13 has provided such information to the department. A community  
14 supported agriculture entity may also provide the department with  
15 information concerning the agricultural output of the entity, and this  
16 information may be published on the department's Internet website  
17 at the discretion of the Secretary of Agriculture.

18 c. In addition to publishing the information as required in  
19 subsections a. and b. of this section, the department may distribute  
20 it by any other method it deems best adapted to the efficient  
21 dissemination thereof. The department shall accept information, or  
22 changes thereto, from wineries and community supported  
23 agriculture entities through an electronic submission form made  
24 available by the department on its Internet website.

25 d. As used in this section, "community supported agriculture  
26 entity" means a commercial farm from which a person may  
27 purchase a share in the agricultural or horticultural output of the  
28 farm.

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30 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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#### STATEMENT

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35 This bill would require the Department of Agriculture to provide  
36 information concerning the location and contact information of  
37 wineries and community supported agriculture entities in New  
38 Jersey on the department's website and may distribute this  
39 information by any other method for the efficient dissemination  
40 thereof. A community supported agriculture entity may also  
41 provide the department with information concerning the agricultural  
42 output of the entity, and this information may be published on the  
43 department's website at the discretion of the Secretary of  
44 Agriculture. The department would accept information, or changes  
45 thereto, from wineries and community supported agriculture entities  
46 through an electronic submission form made available on the  
47 website.

**A2978 ALBANO, BURZICHELLI**

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- 1       The bill defines a “community supported agriculture entity” to
- 2       mean a commercial farm from which a person may purchase a share
- 3       in the agricultural or horticultural output of the farm.

ASSEMBLY AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES  
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO  
**ASSEMBLY, No. 2978**

with committee amendments

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: OCTOBER 15, 2012

The Assembly Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 2978.

This bill, as amended, would require the Department of Agriculture to provide information concerning the location and contact information of every winery in the State. The bill, as amended, would also require the department to provide information concerning the location and contact information of each community supported agriculture entity in the State, if the entity has provided such information to the department. The bill would define “community supported agriculture entity” to mean a commercial farm from which a person may purchase a share in the agricultural or horticultural output of the farm.

As amended, the bill would require, in particular, that the department post all relevant location and contact information for licensed wineries on its website, and it would further authorize the department to distribute this information by any other method, as appropriate to ensure its efficient dissemination. The department would further be required to post on its Internet website a link to any list of wineries that has been published on the Internet website maintained by the Division of Travel and Tourism in the Department of State, and a link to any list of wineries that has been published on the Internet website maintained by any other State agency. If a community supported agriculture entity provides the department with information concerning the entity’s agricultural output, the bill would also authorize the Secretary of Agriculture, in his or her discretion, to post this additional information on the department’s website.

The bill would require the department to utilize an electronic submission form, made available on the department’s website, to accept information, and changes thereto, from wineries and community supported agriculture entities throughout the State.



COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The committee amendments would:

- 1) direct the Department of Agriculture to provide a link to any list of wineries posted on the Internet website of any other State agency; and
- 2) make technical corrections.

# SENATE ECONOMIC GROWTH COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT TO

[First Reprint]

**ASSEMBLY, No. 2978**

# **STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: DECEMBER 9, 2013

The Senate Economic Growth Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill, No. 2978 (1R).

As reported, this bill requires the Department of Agriculture (department) to provide information concerning the location and contact information of every winery in the State. The bill also requires the department to provide information concerning the location and contact information of each community supported agriculture entity in the State if the entity has provided that information to the department. The bill defines “community supported agriculture entity” as a commercial farm from which a person may purchase a share in the agricultural or horticultural output of the farm.

Specifically, the bill requires the department to post all relevant location and contact information for licensed wineries on its website, and authorizes the department to distribute the information by any other method, as appropriate, to ensure its efficient dissemination. The department is to post on its website a link to any list of wineries that has been published on the website maintained by the Division of Travel and Tourism in the Department of State, and a link to any list of wineries that has been published on the website maintained by any other State agency. If a community supported agriculture entity provides the department with information concerning the entity’s agricultural output, the bill authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture, at the secretary’s discretion, to post the additional information on the department’s website.

The bill requires the department to utilize an electronic submission form, made available on the department’s website, to accept information and changes thereto, from wineries and community supported agriculture entities throughout the State.

As reported by the committee, Assembly Bill No. 2978 (1R) is identical to Senate Bill No. 2051 which was amended and reported by the committee on this date.

# SENATE, No. 2051

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 215th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED JUNE 4, 2012

**Sponsored by:**

**Senator JIM WHELAN**

**District 2 (Atlantic)**

**Co-Sponsored by:**

**Senator Kyrillos**

**SYNOPSIS**

Requires Department of Agriculture to publish on its website information concerning wineries and community supported agriculture entities in NJ.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 12/13/2013)**

1 AN ACT concerning the Department of Agriculture website and  
2 supplementing Title 4 of the Revised Statutes.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
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7 1. a. The Department of Agriculture shall publish on the  
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11 department's Internet website the location and contact information  
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14 supported agriculture entity may also provide the department with  
15 information concerning the agricultural output of the entity, and this  
16 information may be published on the department's Internet website  
17 at the discretion of the Secretary of Agriculture.

18 c. In addition to publishing the information as required in  
19 subsections a. and b. of this section, the department may distribute  
20 it by any other method it deems best adapted to the efficient  
21 dissemination thereof. The department shall accept information, or  
22 changes thereto, from wineries and community supported  
23 agriculture entities through an electronic submission form made  
24 available by the department on its Internet website.

25 d. As used in this section, "community supported agriculture  
26 entity" means a commercial farm from which a person may  
27 purchase a share in the agricultural or horticultural output of the  
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35 This bill would require the Department of Agriculture to provide  
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**S2051 WHELAN**

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# SENATE ECONOMIC GROWTH COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT TO

### **SENATE, No. 2051**

with committee amendments

# **STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: DECEMBER 9, 2013

The Senate Economic Growth Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Senate Bill, No. 2051.

As amended and reported, this bill requires the Department of Agriculture (department) to provide information concerning the location and contact information of every winery in the State. The bill also requires the department to provide information concerning the location and contact information of each community supported agriculture entity in the State if the entity has provided that information to the department. The bill defines “community supported agriculture entity” as a commercial farm from which a person may purchase a share in the agricultural or horticultural output of the farm.

Specifically, the bill requires the department to post all relevant location and contact information for licensed wineries on its website, and authorizes the department to distribute the information by any other method, as appropriate, to ensure its efficient dissemination. The department is to post on its website a link to any list of wineries that has been published on the website maintained by the Division of Travel and Tourism in the Department of State, and a link to any list of wineries that has been published on the website maintained by any other State agency. If a community supported agriculture entity provides the department with information concerning the entity’s agricultural output, the bill authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture, at the secretary’s discretion, to post the additional information on the department’s website.

The bill requires the department to utilize an electronic submission form, made available on the department’s website, to accept information and changes thereto, from wineries and community supported agriculture entities throughout the State.

The committee amended the bill to direct the department to provide a link to any list of wineries posted on the website of any other State agency; and make grammatical corrections.

As amended and reported by the committee, Senate Bill No. 2051 is identical to Assembly Bill No. 2978 (1R) which was reported by the committee on this date.