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P.L.2015, CHAPTER 212, *approved January 11, 2016*  
Assembly, No. 3849 (*Fourth Reprint*)

1 AN ACT concerning <sup>4</sup>**[consumer]** customer<sup>4</sup> information on <sup>4</sup>**[third-**  
2 party]<sup>4</sup> electric power and gas <sup>4</sup>**[supplier]**<sup>4</sup> pricing <sup>4</sup>**[and**  
3 services]<sup>4</sup>, and <sup>3</sup>**[supplementing]** amending<sup>3</sup> <sup>4</sup>**[Title 48 of the**  
4 Revised Statutes] P.L.1999, c.23<sup>4</sup>.

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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 <sup>1</sup>**[1.** The Board of Public Utilities shall provide on its Internet  
10 website pricing information for electric generation services  
11 provided by an electric power supplier and gas supply service  
12 provided by a gas supplier, and other information, as determined by  
13 the board, including, but not limited to, other services provided by  
14 electric power and gas suppliers.]<sup>1</sup>

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16 <sup>1</sup>1. Section 8 of P.L.1999, c.23 (C.48:3-56) is amended to read  
17 as follows:

18 8. a. Except as otherwise provided in P.L.1999, c.23 (C.48:3-  
19 49 et al.), and notwithstanding any provisions of R.S.48:2-18,  
20 R.S.48:2-21, section 31 of P.L.1962, c.198 (C.48:2-21.2), R.S.48:3-  
21 1 or any other law to the contrary, the board shall not regulate, fix,  
22 or prescribe the rates, tolls, charges, rate structures, rate base, or  
23 cost of service of competitive services.

24 b. For the purposes of P.L.1999, c.23 (C.48:3-49 et al.), electric  
25 generation service is deemed to be a competitive service.

26 c. The board is authorized to determine, after notice and  
27 hearing, whether any other service offered by an electric public  
28 utility is a competitive service. In making **[such a]** that  
29 determination, the board shall develop standards of competitive  
30 service which, at a minimum, shall include: evidence of ease of  
31 market entry; presence of other competitors; and the availability of  
32 like or substitute services in the relevant market segment and  
33 geographic area. Notwithstanding the presence of these factors, the  
34 board may determine that any service shall remain regulated for  
35 purposes of the public safety and welfare.

36 d. The board is authorized to determine, after notice and  
37 hearing, and after appropriate review by the Legislature pursuant to  
38 subsection k. of this section, whether to reclassify as regulated any

**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 ATU committee amendments adopted December 4, 2014.

<sup>2</sup>Assembly floor amendments adopted January 29, 2015.

<sup>3</sup>Assembly floor amendments adopted March 9, 2015.

<sup>4</sup>Senate SEN committee amendments adopted September 24, 2015.

1 electric service or segment thereof that it has previously found to be  
2 competitive, including electric generation service, if it determines  
3 that sufficient competition is no longer present, upon application of  
4 the criteria set forth in subsection c. of this section. Upon **【such a】**  
5 reclassification, subsection a. of this section shall no longer apply  
6 and the board shall determine **【such】** the rates for that electric  
7 service which it finds to be just and reasonable. The board,  
8 however, shall continue to monitor the electric service or segment  
9 thereof and, whenever the board shall find that the electric service  
10 has again become sufficiently competitive pursuant to subsection c.  
11 of this section, the board shall again apply the provisions of  
12 subsection a. of this section.

13 e. Nothing in P.L.1999, c.23 (C.48:3-49 et al.) shall limit the  
14 authority of the board, pursuant to Title 48 of the Revised Statutes,  
15 to ensure that electric public utilities do not make or impose unjust  
16 preferences, discriminations, or classifications for any services  
17 provided to customers.

18 f. (1) The board shall adopt, by rule, regulation, or order,  
19 **【such】** fair competition standards, affiliate relation standards,  
20 accounting standards, and reports as are necessary to ensure that  
21 electric public utilities or their related competitive business  
22 segments do not enjoy an unfair competitive advantage over other  
23 non-affiliated purveyors of competitive services and in order to  
24 monitor the allocation of costs between competitive and non-  
25 competitive services offered by an electric public utility, and within  
26 60 days after the starting date for implementation of retail choice  
27 pursuant to subsection a. of section 5 of P.L.1999, c.23 (C.48:3-53),  
28 shall commence the process of conducting audits, at the expense of  
29 the electric public utilities, to ensure compliance with this section  
30 and section 7 of P.L.1999, c.23 (C.48:3-55) and with the board's  
31 rules, regulations and orders adopted pursuant to this section and  
32 section 7 of P.L.1999, c.23 (C.48:3-55). The board shall hire an  
33 independent contractor to perform **【such】** these audits.

34 (2) Subsequent audits shall take place no less than every two  
35 years after the date of the decision rendered pursuant to subsection  
36 k. of section 7 of P.L.1999, c.23 (C.48:3-55).

37 (3) The public utility or an intervenor shall have the right to  
38 contest the methodology and rebut the findings of an audit  
39 performed pursuant to this subsection, in a filing with the board.  
40 The board shall take no action to functionally separate, structurally  
41 separate, or require the divestiture of any portion of a public utility's  
42 operations pursuant to this subsection until the public utility, and  
43 any intervenors, have been afforded timely opportunity to make  
44 **【such】** a filing and until the board has issued a decision thereon.

45 (4) If the board finds, as a result of any **【such】** audit, that  
46 substantial violations of P.L.1999, c.23 (C.48:3-49 et al.) or of the  
47 board's rules, regulations or orders adopted pursuant to this section

1 and section 7 of P.L.1999, c.23 (C.48:3-55) have occurred which  
2 result in unfair competitive advantages for an electric public utility,  
3 it shall: order the electric public utility to establish and provide  
4 **【such】** these services through a business unit which is functionally  
5 separated from the electric public utility business unit as a related  
6 competitive business segment of the utility, **【such】** so that, other  
7 than shared administration and overheads, employees of the  
8 competitive services business unit shall not also be involved in the  
9 provision of non-competitive utility and safety services, and the  
10 competitive services are provided utilizing separate assets than  
11 those utilized to provide noncompetitive utility and safety services;  
12 order the electric public utility to establish and provide **【such】**  
13 these services through a structurally separate business unit or units  
14 including, but not limited to, a related competitive business segment  
15 of the public utility holding company; or order the electric public  
16 utility to divest itself of any business units that provide such  
17 services.

18 (5) If the board determines, as a result of the audit performed  
19 pursuant to this subsection that an electric public utility has unfairly  
20 allocated costs between its competitive and non-competitive  
21 services, the board is authorized to require **【such】** the utility to  
22 return to the ratepayers an amount, equivalent to the amount of the  
23 costs determined to be unfairly allocated, with interest, during the  
24 time that the unfair allocation of costs occurred. In addition, the  
25 board is authorized to order **【such】** the utility to pay a fine of up to  
26 \$10,000 as a result of the violation or violations determined to have  
27 occurred pursuant to this subsection.

28 (6) Notwithstanding any requirements of the "Administrative  
29 Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.) to the  
30 contrary, the board shall initiate a proceeding and shall adopt, after  
31 notice, provision of the opportunity for comment, and public  
32 hearing, **【such】** fair competition and accounting standards as are  
33 necessary on an interim basis to implement retail electric choice.  
34 **【Such】** These standards shall be effective as regulations  
35 immediately upon filing with the Office of Administrative Law and  
36 shall be effective for a period not to exceed 18 months, and may,  
37 thereafter, be amended, adopted or readopted by the board in  
38 accordance with the provisions of the "Administrative Procedure  
39 **【Act.】** Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.).

40 g. The board shall determine, by rule or order, what reports are  
41 necessary to monitor the competitiveness of any service offered to a  
42 customer of an electric public utility.

43 h. The board shall have the authority to take appropriate  
44 increasingly stringent action, including the issuance of an order that  
45 an electric public utility or its related competitive business segment  
46 cease the offering of a competitive service, functionally separate or  
47 structurally separate its competitive service offering from non-

1 competitive business functions, or divest itself of **【such】** these  
2 services, in the event that the board determines, after hearing, that  
3 recurring and significant violations of its rules or orders adopted  
4 pursuant to subsection f. of this section have occurred.

5 i. Nothing in P.L.1999, c.23 (C.48:3-49 et al.) shall exempt an  
6 electric public utility from obtaining all applicable local, State, and  
7 federal licenses or permits associated with the offering of  
8 competitive <sup>3</sup>**【e】**<sup>3</sup> services and complying with all applicable laws  
9 and regulations regarding the provision of **【such】** these services.

10 j. If the board finds, as a result of any audit conducted  
11 pursuant to this section, that violations of the board's rules,  
12 regulations or orders adopted pursuant to this section and section 7  
13 of P.L.1999, c.23 (C.48:3-55) have occurred, which are not  
14 substantial violations, the board is authorized to impose a fine of up  
15 to \$10,000 against the electric public utility.

16 k. Prior to reclassifying as regulated any service it previously  
17 found to be competitive, the board shall make recommendations to  
18 the Legislature concerning the proposed reclassification. The  
19 recommendations shall be deemed to be approved unless the  
20 Legislature adopts a concurrent resolution stating that the  
21 Legislature is not in agreement with all or any part of the  
22 recommendations within 90 days following the date of transmittal  
23 of the recommendations to the Legislature. The concurrent  
24 resolution shall advise the board of the Legislature's specific  
25 objections to the recommendations and shall direct the board to  
26 submit revised recommendations which respond to those objections  
27 within 45 days of the date of transmittal of the concurrent resolution  
28 to the board.

29 l. <sup>2</sup>(1)<sup>2</sup> The board **【may】** shall <sup>4</sup>**【promulgate regulations to】**<sup>4</sup>  
30 require each electric public utility, electric power supplier, gas  
31 public utility, <sup>4</sup>and<sup>4</sup> gas supplier, <sup>4</sup>【marketer, government  
32 aggregator, and broker】<sup>4</sup> engaged in the provision of electricity or  
33 gas to end use customers <sup>4</sup>,<sup>4</sup> to provide the board with <sup>4</sup>【adequate  
34 and accurate】 a direct link to<sup>4</sup> price comparison information <sup>4</sup>on its  
35 Internet website<sup>4</sup> , including projected price comparison  
36 information, that will enable customers to make informed choices  
37 regarding the purchase of electric energy or gas offered by that  
38 provider to customers. <sup>4</sup>Each website shall contain current and  
39 accurate pricing information, and shall be maintained and updated  
40 by the provider.<sup>4</sup> The board **【may】** , in consultation with each  
41 electric public utility, electric power supplier, gas public utility,  
42 <sup>4</sup>and<sup>4</sup> gas supplier <sup>4</sup>【, marketer, government aggregator, and  
43 broker】<sup>4</sup> engaged in the provision of electricity or gas to end use  
44 customers, shall compile <sup>4</sup>【that information】 the direct links to  
45 price comparison information on the website of each provider<sup>4</sup> into  
46 a single, understandable database and post the database on its

1 Internet website in a manner that enables customers to <sup>4</sup>**[compare]**  
2 make informed decisions regarding<sup>4</sup> prices and services <sup>4</sup>**[on a**  
3 **uniform basis]**<sup>4</sup>. The board may contract with a public or private  
4 entity for the purpose of developing, administering, and maintaining  
5 the database. The contract shall specify the duties and  
6 responsibilities of the entity with respect to the development,  
7 administration, and maintenance of the database. The board shall  
8 monitor the work of the entity to ensure that the database is  
9 developed, administered, and maintained pursuant to the  
10 requirements of this section.<sup>1</sup>

11 <sup>2</sup>(2) As used in this subsection, “customer” means a residential  
12 customer <sup>3</sup>**[.]** or<sup>3</sup> a commercial electric customer <sup>3</sup>**[utilizing 400]**  
13 with a cumulative peak load of 50<sup>3</sup> kilowatts or less <sup>3</sup>**[in the last 12**  
14 **months]**<sup>3</sup>, or a commercial gas customer <sup>3</sup>**[utilizing]** with a  
15 cumulative peak load of<sup>3</sup> 5,000 therms or less <sup>3</sup>**[in the last 12**  
16 **months]**<sup>3, 2</sup>

17 (cf: P.L.2013, c.184, s.1)

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19 2. This act shall take effect on the 120th day after the date of  
20 enactment.

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26 Requires BPU to provide links to pricing information to  
27 customers from electric and gas public utilities, and third-party  
electric power and gas suppliers.

# ASSEMBLY, No. 3849

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 216th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED OCTOBER 23, 2014

**Sponsored by:**

**Assemblyman WAYNE P. DEANGELO**

**District 14 (Mercer and Middlesex)**

**Assemblyman TIMOTHY J. EUSTACE**

**District 38 (Bergen and Passaic)**

**Assemblyman VINCENT MAZZEO**

**District 2 (Atlantic)**

**Assemblywoman ELIANA PINTOR MARIN**

**District 29 (Essex)**

**Co-Sponsored by:**

**Assemblyman Fiocchi and Assemblywoman Simon**

**SYNOPSIS**

Requires BPU to provide consumer information on third-party electric power and gas supplier pricing and services.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 12/5/2014)**



1 AN ACT concerning consumer information on third-party electric  
2 power and gas supplier pricing and services, and supplementing  
3 Title 48 of 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. The Board of Public Utilities shall provide on its Internet  
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12 the board, including, but not limited to, other services provided by  
13 electric power and gas suppliers.

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15 2. This act shall take effect on the 120th day after the date of  
16 enactment.

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STATEMENT

21 This bill requires the Board of Public Utilities (board) to provide  
22 on its Internet website pricing information for electric generation  
23 services provided by an electric power supplier and gas supply  
24 service provided by a gas supplier, and other information, as  
25 determined by the board, including, but not limited to, other  
26 services provided by electric power and gas suppliers.

STATEMENT TO  
[First Reprint]  
**ASSEMBLY, No. 3849**

with Assembly Floor Amendments  
(Proposed by Assemblyman DEANGELO)

ADOPTED: JANUARY 29, 2015

These Assembly amendments provide that the Board of Public Utilities is to collect consumer pricing information for the purposes of compiling the information on its Internet website from energy providers that service residential customers, commercial electric customers utilizing 400 kilowatts or less in the last 12 months, or commercial gas customers utilizing 5,000 therms or less in the last 12 months.

STATEMENT TO  
[Second Reprint]  
**ASSEMBLY, No. 3849**

with Assembly Floor Amendments  
(Proposed by Assemblyman DEANGELO)

ADOPTED: MARCH 9, 2015

These Assembly amendments redefine “customer” to mean a residential customer or a commercial electric customer with a cumulative peak load of 50 kilowatts or less, or a commercial gas customer with a cumulative peak load of 5,000 therms or less.

# SENATE ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT TO

### [Third Reprint] **ASSEMBLY, No. 3849**

with committee amendments

# **STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: SEPTEMBER 21, 2015

The Senate Environment and Energy Committee favorably reports Assembly Bill No. 3849 (3R) with committee amendments.

This bill amends existing law to require the Board of Public Utilities (board) to require each electric public utility, electric power supplier, gas public utility, and gas supplier, engaged in the provision of electricity or gas to end use customers, to provide the board with a direct link to price comparison information on its Internet website, including projected price comparison information, that will enable customers to make informed choices regarding the purchase of electric energy or gas. Each website is to contain current and accurate pricing information and is required to be maintained and updated by the provider. The board, in consultation with each electric public utility, electric power supplier, gas public utility, and gas supplier engaged in the provision of electricity or gas to end use customers, is to compile the direct links of price comparison information on the website of each provider into a single, understandable database and post the database on its Internet website in a manner that enables customers to make informed decisions regarding prices and services. "Customer" is defined in the bill to mean a residential customer or a commercial electric customer with a cumulative peak load of 50 kilowatts or less, or a commercial gas customer with a cumulative peak load of 5,000 therms or less.

The committee amendments eliminate the requirement that the board post pricing information on its Internet website and instead requires that the board post direct links to providers' websites regarding pricing information. The committee amendments also remove language that requires the board to adopt regulations to implement the requirements of the bill. Further, the committee amendments delete the existing requirement in the law that the board post price comparison information from marketers, government aggregators, and brokers. Finally, there are technical amendments to

The bill is identical to the Senate Bill No. 2466 (SCS) as reported by the committee.

ASSEMBLY TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND UTILITIES  
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO  
**ASSEMBLY, No. 3849**

with committee amendments

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: DECEMBER 4, 2014

The Assembly Telecommunications and Utilities Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 3849.

As amended and reported, this bill amends existing law to require the Board of Public Utilities (board), to promulgate regulations to require each electric public utility, electric power supplier, gas public utility, gas supplier, marketer, government aggregator, and broker engaged in the provision of electricity and gas to end use customers to provide the board with adequate and accurate price comparison information, including projected price comparison information, that will enable customers to make informed choices regarding the purchase of electric energy or gas offered by that provider to customers. The board, in consultation with each electric public utility, electric power supplier, gas public utility, gas supplier, marketer, government aggregator, and broker engaged in the provision of electricity and gas to end use customers, is to compile that information into a single, understandable database and post the database on its Internet website in a manner that enables customers to compare prices and services on a uniform basis.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

The committee amended the bill to require the board to include gas public utilities, gas suppliers, and the provision of gas service in the regulations to require providers of electricity to provide the board with price comparison information. The amendments also require the board to consult with each electric public utility, electric power supplier, gas public utility, gas supplier, marketer, government aggregator, and broker in providing a price comparison information database on its Internet website. The amendments also require the board to provide projected price comparison information in the price comparison information database on its Internet website.

**SENATE, No. 2466**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
**216th LEGISLATURE**

INTRODUCED OCTOBER 14, 2014

**Sponsored by:**

**Senator SHIRLEY K. TURNER**

**District 15 (Hunterdon and Mercer)**

**Senator ROBERT W. SINGER**

**District 30 (Monmouth and Ocean)**

**SYNOPSIS**

Requires BPU to provide consumer information on third-party electric power and gas supplier pricing and services.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 3/17/2015)**

S2466 TURNER, SINGER

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# SENATE ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT TO

### SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR **SENATE, No. 2466**

# **STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: SEPTEMBER 21, 2015

The Senate Environment and Energy Committee favorably reports a committee substitute for Senate Bill No. 2466.

This committee substitute amends existing law to require the Board of Public Utilities (board) to require each electric public utility, electric power supplier, gas public utility, and gas supplier, engaged in the provision of electricity or gas to end use customers, to provide the board with a direct link to price comparison information on its Internet website, including projected price comparison information, that will enable customers to make informed choices regarding the purchase of electric energy or gas. Each website is to contain current and accurate pricing information and is required to be maintained and updated by the provider. The board, in consultation with each electric public utility, electric power supplier, gas public utility, and gas supplier engaged in the provision of electricity or gas to end use customers, is to compile the direct links of price comparison information on the website of each provider into a single, understandable database and post the database on its Internet website in a manner that enables customers to make informed decisions regarding prices and services. "Customer" is defined in the committee substitute to mean a residential customer or a commercial electric customer with a cumulative peak load of 50 kilowatts or less, or a commercial gas customer with a cumulative peak load of 5,000 therms or less.

The committee substitute also deletes the existing requirement in the law that the board post price comparison information from marketers, government aggregators, and brokers.

The committee substitute is identical to Assembly Bill No. 3849 (3R) as amended and reported by the committee.



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## Governor Christie Takes Action On Pending Legislation

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Trenton, NJ – Governor Chris Christie today took action on legislation, including a bill aimed at helping inmates who were victims of domestic violence and a second bill designed to help non-violent drug offenders reclaim their lives by streamlining the process for expungement of their criminal records.

The Governor suggested minor changes to strengthen Senate Bill No. 995, which seeks to help domestic violence victims who have been convicted of crimes against their abusers by establishing a community reentry program to assist victim-offenders assimilate into society upon release from custody and prevent further victimization.

Governor Christie conditionally vetoed the bill, proposing that the program be established solely in the Department of Corrections.

"The goal of this bill is commendable and I sincerely support its objective," Governor Christie said. "Domestic violence is tragic, and victims deserve support and counseling. However, the bill conflates the statutory and regulatory responsibilities of the Department of Corrections and the State Parole Board, combining the agencies' separate residential program functions. Accordingly, I suggest minor amendments, in accordance with the intent of the legislation to establish this program within the Department of Corrections, consistent with its existing reintegration programming and tailored to the specific needs of this limited inmate population."

The bill as written also called for an automatic early release program for this specific subset of inmates upon successful completion of the reentry program, an element of the bill that Governor Christie does not support.

"I cannot support the creation of early release programs because they would begin to chisel away at the long-standing function of the State Parole Board," Governor Christie said. "For decades, the State Parole Board has faithfully fulfilled its charge to carefully review and consider the underlying facts and circumstances of each applicant for parole. While I continue to encourage the Legislature to explore reforms that will create efficiencies in State government, I remain grounded in my belief that the review of parole applications is best accomplished through the reasoned, compassionate, experienced and individualized judgment of the State Parole Board and not through an automatic process based upon one factor."

Governor Christie similarly took action to strengthen the Assembly Committee Substitute for Assembly Bills Nos. 206, 471, 1663, 2879, 3060 and 3108, and urged quick approval from the Legislature.

The bill proposes to allow those who have successfully completed the Drug Court program to expunge the related criminal charges, and it further aims to make the expungement process more efficient.

Seeking to balance the needs of non-violent ex-offenders with public safety, Governor Christie conditionally vetoed the bill, retaining the current waiting period for expungements for indictable offenses, currently 10 years, or five years if a court determines that expungement is in the public's interest.

"While I support breaking down barriers to employment and education for non-violent ex-offenders, I cannot endorse a bill that compromises public safety," Governor Christie said. "As written, this bill would cut in half the presumptive waiting period to expunge indictable offenses, often felonies, from ten years to five years, and eliminate an important safeguard which allows a judge to consider whether granting an expungement is in the public's interest. The current public interest exception to the presumptive waiting period is an effective and efficient way to help ex-offenders combat the collateral consequences of their offense, while also ensuring that public safety is not compromised."

Governor Christie further suggested retaining the five-year waiting period for disorderly persons offenses, while adopting the bill's provision to lower this waiting period to three years, if a court determines that expungement is in the public interest.

The Governor also took the following action on other pending legislation:

#### **BILL SIGNINGS:**

**S-475/A-3223 (Madden, Sweeney/Mosquera, Webber, Moriarty, Mukherji, Garcia, Munoz, Lampitt)** - Requires certain information regarding Down syndrome be provided to certain parents and families

**S-650 (Doherty, Beach/DiMaio, Andrzejczak, Peterson, DeAngelo)** - Designates State Route 173 between Clinton and Phillipsburg as "173rd Airborne Brigade Highway"

**S-835/A-1972 (Bateman/Garcia, Danielson)** - Enhances penalties for false incrimination and making fictitious reports

**S-939/A-2913 (Bateman, A.R. Bucco/Caride, Dancer, A.M. Bucco)** - Designates Black Swallowtail butterfly as State Butterfly

**S-1940/A-2893 (Oroho, Van Drew/Burzichelli, Space)** - Exempts board of education and local government payments to entities under BPU jurisdiction from certain certification requirements

**S-2145/A-631 (Van Drew, Madden/Moriarty, Burzichelli, Tucker, DeAngelo, Danielson, Mukherji)** - Authorizes hiring preference for veterans in non-civil service jurisdictions

**S-2301/A-3522 (Greenstein, Stack/Stender, Mukherji, Lagana, Diegnan)** - Regulates pharmacy benefits managers and requires certain disclosures concerning multiple source generic drug pricing

**S-2432/A-4720 (Madden/Moriarty, Mosquera)** - Requires notification of member or retiree of State-administered retirement system under certain circumstances when member or retiree requests change in beneficiary for group life insurance

**S-2453/A-3805 (Weinberg, Allen/Burzichelli, Singleton)** - Requires earlier mandatory polling hours for school elections; requires discretionary additional polling hours be consistent with current primary and general elections

**S-2523/A-3917 (Gill, Greenstein, Benson/DeAngelo, Johnson)** - Permits municipalities and municipal parking authorities to create Senior Citizen Priority Parking Program

**SCS for S-2586, 2587, A-3217, and 3218 (Stack, Cunningham, Mukherji, Pintor Marin, Garcia)** - Requires certain sanitary and protective procedures for used mattresses

**SCS for S-2668/A-4270 (Beach, Madden/Lampitt, Vainieri Huttie, Benson, Spencer, Wimberly, Mosquera)** - Establishes "MVP Emergency Alert System" for missing persons with mental, intellectual, or developmental disabilities

**SS for S-2770/AS for A-3956 (Sweeney, Addiego/Lampitt, Greenwald, Vainieri Huttie, Benson, Mazzeo)** - Authorizes establishment of Achieving a Better Life Experience accounts for persons with certain disabilities

**S-2940/A-4531 (Singer, Sweeney/Spencer, Benson, Casagrande, Muoio)** - Creates new criminal offenses concerning endangering another person; repeals N.J.S.2C:12-2 and N.J.S.2C:24-7

**S-2961/A-4188 (Codey, Vitale/Garcia, Lagana, Taliaferro, Vainieri Huttie, Danielsens, Holley, Benson, Jimenez)** - Clarifies that Alzheimer's disease and related disorders may be listed as secondary cause of death on death certificate when appropriate

**S-2978/A-4194 (Van Drew, Oroho/Burzichelli, Spencer, Rumana, Webber, Benson)** - Authorizes mobile electronic waste destruction units to operate without DEP permit

**S-3004/A-4685 (Cunningham, Van Drew/Andrzejczak, Johnson, Muoio, Wimberly)** - Permits municipality with UEZ to participate in Downtown Business Improvements Zone Loan Fund

**S-3076/A-4621 (Weinberg, Bateman/Johnson, Caride)** - Increases maximum legal fee to represent victims from \$1,000 to \$3,000

**S-3110/A-4617 (Scutari/Johnson, Webber)** - Permits certain health clubs to offer swimming lessons and otherwise remain exempt from first aid personnel and lifeguarding requirements

**S-3117/A-4781 (Gordon, Bateman, Sweeney, T. Kean/Vainieri Huttie, Eustace, Gusciora, Lampitt, Angelini, Moriarty)** - Prohibits Division of Developmental Disabilities from compelling transfers of individuals with developmental disabilities from out-of-State to in-State facilities unless certain exceptions apply

**S-3220/A-4790 (Sweeney, O'Toole, Vitale/Greenwald, Conaway, Vainieri Huttie, Handlin, Garcia)** - Establishes a process to integrate certain health data and other data from publicly supported programs for population health research

**S-3232/A-4834 (Sarfo, Oroho/Lagana, Burzichelli, Schaer, DeAngelo, Phoebus)** - Allows businesses due to receive grant under Business Employment Incentive Program to receive tax credit instead of grant

**S-3270/A-4705 (Gill, Bateman/Schaer, Coughlin, Lagana, S. Kean, Ciattarelli)** - "Certificates of Insurance Act;" governs use of certificates of insurance; provides DOBI with enforcement authority

**SJR-81/AJR-122 (Barnes/Vainieri Huttle, Schaer, Lampitt)** - Condemns Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions movement against Israel

**A-308/S-2203 (Russo, Rumana/O'Toole, Smith)** - Prohibits escrow agent evaluation services from charging escrow agents fees

**A-1098/S-671 (Vainieri Huttle, Eustace, Diegnan, Giblin/Pou, Sarlo, Weinberg)** - Requires DHS and DMVA to conduct or contract for follow-up studies of former residents transitioning to community from their facilities

**A-1355/S-2963 (Stender, Lampitt, Holley, Moriarty/T. Kean, Vitale)** - Requires DOH to provide information about crib safety on its Internet website

**A-1783/S-2020 (McKeon, Rible, Sumter, Moriarty/Vitale, Cunningham)** - "Art Therapist Licensing Act"

**A-2023/S-2675 (Greenwald, Benson/Cruz-Perez)** - Revises definition of "responsible charge" as it pertains to licensed professional engineers and licensed architects

**A-2229 (Wisniewski, Diegnan)** - Concerns contracts for asphalt work under the "Local Public Contracts Law"

**A-2301/S-1481 (Andrzejczak/Van Drew)** - Designates certain interchanges of Garden State Parkway in honor of Melvin M. Loftus and Christopher Meyer

**A-3052/S-1090 (Mazzeo, Pinkin, Mukherji, Wimberly/A.R. Bucco, Whelan)** - Concerns property taxes due and owing on real property damaged or destroyed during, or as the result of, a natural disaster when a state of emergency is declared by the Governor

**A-3246/S-3069 (Dancer, Burzichelli, Vainieri Huttle/Oroho, Sarlo)** - Requires timeframe of standardbred mare residing in New Jersey breeding farm be inclusive of foaling instead of between foal's conception and birth

**A-3293/S-2146 (Mazzeo, Andrzejczak, Pinkin, Webber, Simon, Mukherji/Van Drew, Doherty)** - Allows military personnel and veterans to present certain identifying documents in lieu of municipal beach tags to gain admission to certain beaches

**A-3331/S-3111 (Benson, Rodriguez-Gregg, Coughlin/Gill, Beach)** - Requires health benefits coverage for synchronization of prescribed medications under certain circumstances

**A-3390/S-2309 (Coughlin, Pinkin, Webber, Diegnan/Vitale)** - Permits transmittal of certain land use documents via email

**A-3395/S-2294 (Wisniewski/Sacco)** - Allows insurer to obtain certificates of ownership or salvage certificates of title for motor vehicles under certain circumstances

**A-3499/S-2256 (Andrzejczak, Mazzeo, Johnson, Pinkin, DeAngelo/Van Drew)** - Requires DMVA to encourage and facilitate returning service members' registration with VA

**A-3507/S-2677 (Eustace, Webber, Munoz, Schepisi, Rumana/Gordon, Sarlo)** - Amends law concerning county and municipal stream cleaning activities

**A-3749/S-2568 (Lampitt, Mazzeo, Andrzejczak, Mukherji, Pinkin/Beach, Allen)** - Establishes program to provide assistance to qualified veterans in in-patient and out-patient treatment programs to travel to medical counseling in State

**A-3849/SCS for S-2466 (DeAngelo, Eustace, Mazzeo, Pintor Marin, Benson/Turner, Singer)** - Requires BPU to provide links to pricing information to customers from electric and gas public utilities, and third-party electric power and gas suppliers

**A-3950/S-2832 (Prieto, Jimenez, Quijano/Greenstein, Turner)** - Permits correctional facilities to utilize body imaging scanning equipment

**A-4079/S-2819 (Eustace, Andrzejczak, Taliaferro, Benson, Dancer/Van Drew, Beach)** - Directs Department of Agriculture to publish on its website "New Jersey Gleaning Week" and "Farmers Against Hunger Day" page

**A-4094/S-2884 (Conaway, Singleton, Wimberly, Lampitt, Benson/Whelan, Madden)** - Permits administration of epinephrine auto-injector device by persons who complete approved educational program

**A-4438/S-3202 (Mukherji, Burzichelli/Scutari, Madden)** - Raises maximum workers' compensation fees for evaluating physicians

**A-4518/S-3010 (Schaer, Eustace, Benson, Pintor Marin/Sarlo)** - Modifies and clarifies provisions of certain economic incentive programs

**AJR-57/SJR-42 (Space/Oroho)** - Designates April of each year as "Sarcoidosis Awareness Month"

**AJR-93/SJR-73 (Eustace, Andrzejczak, Taliaferro, Benson/Van Drew, Beach)** - Designates third week of September as "New Jersey Gleaning Week"

**AJR-94/SJR-74 (Eustace, Andrzejczak, Taliaferro, Benson/Van Drew, Beach)** - Designates Wednesday of third week of September as "Farmers Against Hunger Day"

**AJR-100/SJR-70 (Andrzejczak, Tucker, DeAngelo, Mazzeo/Van Drew, Whelan)** - Designates first week in August of each year as "Coast Guard Week" and honors Cape May as U.S. Coast Guard's enlisted accession point and recruit training center

#### BILLS VETOED:

**S-264/A-1347 (Greenstein, Cunningham/Stender, Egan, O'Donnell, Wimberly)** – **ABSOLUTE** - "Thomas P. Canzanella Twenty First Century First Responders Protection Act"; concerns workers compensation for public safety workers

**S-374/A-3403 (Scutari, Beck/Rible, DeAngelo, Mukherji)** - **ABSOLUTE** - Concerns attorney fees for workers' compensation awards

**SCS for S-779, 1952/ACS for A-2474 (Weinberg, Sarlo, Lesniak/Johnson, Garcia, Vainieri Huttie, Lagana, Mukherji, Moriarty)** - **ABSOLUTE** - "Garden State Film and Digital Media Jobs Act" expands existing film and digital media production tax credit programs

**S-995/A-1677 (Weinberg, Allen/Johnson, Vainieri Huttie, Lampitt, Mosquera)** – **CONDITIONAL** - Establishes in DOC, supervised community reintegration program for certain victims of domestic abuse

**S-1346/A-3837 (Rice/Coughlin, Garcia, Rodriguez-Gregg, Pintor Marin, Jasey)** - **CONDITIONAL** - Concerns the recording of mortgages

**S-2260/A-688 (Scutari, Cardinale/Schaer)** - **CONDITIONAL** - Modifies certain fees charged by, and requirements imposed on, check casher licensees

**S-2524/A-4067 (Gill, Allen/Lagana, Singleton, Moriarty)** - **CONDITIONAL** - The "Municipal Volunteer Property Tax Reduction Act"; permits certain municipal property owners to perform volunteer services in return for property tax vouchers

**S-2577/ACS for A-4139 (Stack, Schaer/Mazzeo, Andrzejczak, Mukherji, Quijano)** - **CONDITIONAL** - Establishes temporary mortgage relief programs for certain owners of real property impacted by "Superstorm Sandy"

**S-2867/A-4248 (Ruiz, Pou/Jasey, Sumter, Vainieri Huttie, Green, Holley, Wimberly)** - **ABSOLUTE** - Permits municipal land banking in conjunction with online property database development

**S-3024/A-4463 (Scutari/Giblin, Diegnan, Jimenez, Caputo, Vainieri Huttie)** – **CONDITIONAL** - Revises laws concerning real estate licensees

**S-3282/A-4850 (Rice, Cunningham/Wimberly, Mainor, Johnson)** - **CONDITIONAL** - Expands Police Training Commission membership to include representative from Northern New Jersey and South Jersey Chapters of National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives

**ACS for A-206, 471, 1663, 2879, 3060, and 3108/S-2663 (Green, Spencer, Gusciora, Johnson, McKeon, Giblin, Wimberly, Mainor, Quijano/Turner, Lesniak, Pou)** - **CONDITIONAL** - Shortens waiting periods for expungement of criminal and other records and information; makes various changes to other expungement procedures and requirements

**A-3257/S-2125 (Andrzejczak, Mazzeo, Burzichelli/Van Drew)** - **CONDITIONAL** - Provides that determination by county agriculture development board or State Agriculture Development Committee as to what qualifies as farm-based recreational activity in pinelands protection area is binding on Pinelands Commission

**A-4103/S-2840 (Mazzeo, Andrzejczak, Giblin/Allen, Whelan)** - **ABSOLUTE** - Creates workforce training program for former casino workers

**A-4233/S-2435 (Jasey, McKeon, Vainieri Huttie, Mukherji, Lampitt/Codey, Vitale)** - **ABSOLUTE** - Provides Medicaid coverage for advance care planning

**A-4275/S2831 (Prieto, Eustace, Lagana, Greewald, Quijano, Danielsen, Mukherji/Sweeney, Turner, Sarlo)** – **CONDITIONAL** - "New Jersey Secure Choice Savings Program Act"; establishes retirement savings program for certain workers

**A-4326/S-2942 (Schaer, Lagana, Eustace, Prieto/Gordon, Barnes)** - **ABSOLUTE** - Reforms annual State revenue estimating and reporting, and executive State budget presentation and revenue certification processes

**A-4386/S-3042 (Coughlin, Pinkin/Vitale, Singer)** - **CONDITIONAL** - Permits candidates for school board to circulate petitions jointly and be bracketed together on ballot; permits short nonpolitical designation of principles on petitions and ballots; provides for study of impact of changes

**A-4638/S-3118 (Vainieri Huttie, Singleton, Holley, Mosquera, Tucker, Benson/Sweeney, Madden)** - **ABSOLUTE** - Requires DCPP to implement policies and procedures to ensure caseworker safety; "Leah's Law"

**A-4703/S-3172 (Spencer, Tucker, Pintor Marin, Egan, Muoio, Gusciora/Rice, Smith)** - **ABSOLUTE** - Increases tax credit cap by \$165 million for certain qualified residential projects under Economic Redevelopment and Growth Grant program and restricts increase to certain projects

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