

# LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

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## *LAWS of 1999*

**CHAPTER:** 123

**NJSA:**36:2-7

(POW -- MIA Recognition Day)

**BILL NO:** S689(Substituted for A1694)

**SPONSOR(S):**Gormley and O'Connor, Edward

**DATE INTRODUCED:**February 23, 1998

**COMMITTEE:**

**ASSEMBLY:** Commerce, Tourism, Gaming & Military & Veterans' Affairs

**SENATE:**Senior Citizens, Veterans' Affairs & Human Services

**AMENDED DURING PASSAGE:**No

**DATES OF PASSAGE:**

**ASSEMBLY:**May 24, 1999

**SENATE:**March 30, 1998

**DATE OF APPROVAL:**June 18, 1999

**THE FOLLOWING ARE ATTACHED IF AVAILABLE:**

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**FINAL TEXT OF BILL:** *YES*Original

(Amendments during passage denoted by superscript numbers)

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**S689**

**SPONSORS STATEMENT:** *Yes* (Begins on page 2 of original bill)

**COMMITTEE STATEMENT:**

**ASSEMBLY:** *Yes*

**SENATE:** *Yes*

**FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENTS:** *No*

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE:** *No*

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## A1694

**SPONSORS STATEMENT:** *Yes (Begins on page 2 of original bill)*

Bill and Sponsor's Statement identical to S689

**COMMITTEE STATEMENT:**

**ASSEMBLY:** *Yes*

Identical to Assembly Statement for S689

**SENATE:** *No*

**FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENTS:** *No*

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE:** *No*

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### GOVERNOR'S ACTIONS

**VETO MESSAGE:** *No*

**GOVERNOR'S PRESS RELEASE ON SIGNING:** *Yes*

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### THE FOLLOWING WERE PRINTED:

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**REPORTS:** *No*

**HEARINGS:** *No*

**NEWSPAPER ARTICLES:** *Yes*

**"Whitman signs bill allowing nudity ban at Higbee beach," Atlantic City Press, 6-29-99, p.A1.**

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P.L. 1999, CHAPTER 123, *approved June 18, 1999*

Senate, No. 689

1 AN ACT to change the date of "New Jersey P.O.W.-M.I.A.  
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11 thereof.

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**SENATE, No. 689**

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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
**208th LEGISLATURE**

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INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 23, 1998

**Sponsored by:**

**Senator WILLIAM L. GORMLEY**

**District 2 (Atlantic)**

**Senator EDWARD T. O'CONNOR**

**District 31 (Hudson)**

**Co-Sponsored by:**

**Senator Cardinale, Assemblymen Blee, LeFevre and Luongo**

**SYNOPSIS**

Changes date of "New Jersey P.O.W.-M.I.A. Recognition Day" from July 20 to the third Friday in September of each year.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 5/25/1999)**

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ASSEMBLY COMMERCE, TOURISM, GAMING AND  
MILITARY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**SENATE, No. 689**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: NOVEMBER 9, 1998

The Assembly Commerce, Tourism, Gaming and Military and Veterans' Affairs Committee reports favorably Senate, No. 689.

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This bill is the same as Assembly, No. 1694.

SENATE SENIOR CITIZENS, VETERANS' AFFAIRS AND  
HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**SENATE, No. 689**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: MARCH 23, 1998

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# ASSEMBLY, No. 1694

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 208th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 19, 1998

**Sponsored by:**

**Assemblyman FRANCIS J. BLEE**

**District 2 (Atlantic)**

**Assemblyman KENNETH C. LEFEVRE**

**District 2 (Atlantic)**

**Co-Sponsored by:**

**Assemblyman Luongo**

**SYNOPSIS**

Changes date of "New Jersey P.O.W.-M.I.A. Recognition Day" from July 20 to the third Friday in September of each year.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

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**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 2/20/1998)**



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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

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*Office of the Governor*  
**NEWS RELEASE**

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RELEASE: June 21, 1999

Gov. Christie Whitman today signed the following pieces of legislation:

**S-689**, sponsored by Senators William L. Gormley (R-Atlantic) and Edward T. O'Connor, Jr. (D-Hudson), and Assembly Members Francis J. Blee (R-Atlantic) and Kenneth C. LeFevre (R-Atlantic), changes the date of the New Jersey P.O.W.-M.I.A. Recognition Day from July 20th of each year to the third Friday in September of each year. The change was made because the President of the United States has designated by proclamation the third Friday in September of each year as National P.O.W.-M.I.A. Recognition Day. Therefore, it is appropriate for New Jersey to change the date so that New Jersey P.O.W.-M.I.A. Recognition Day and National P.O.W.-M.I.A. Recognition Day can be observed on the same day.