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P.L. 2006, CHAPTER 29, *approved July 7, 2006*  
Senate, No. 143

1 AN ACT removing certain restrictions on the sale of poppies,  
2 amending P.L.1938, c.207 and repealing section 4 of P.L.1938,  
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5 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
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15 (cf: P.L.1938, c.207, s.2)  
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24 extend the right of sale by persons, or for purposes, other than those  
25 mentioned in section three of this act, **【nor shall extend the period**  
26 **of sale in section four of this act,】** nor shall permit the sale of  
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32 4. This act shall take effect immediately.  
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37 Removes time restrictions on sale of poppies.

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Matter underlined thus is new matter.

# SENATE, No. 143

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 212th LEGISLATURE

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2006 SESSION

**Sponsored by:**

**Senator LEONARD T. CONNORS, JR.**

**District 9 (Atlantic, Burlington and Ocean)**

**SYNOPSIS**

Removes time restrictions on sale of poppies.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel



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STATEMENT

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37 Currently, the period of restricted sale for poppies is between  
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41 restricted sale are devoted exclusively to the benefit of veterans of  
42 the World Wars and other military conflicts, their families, and to  
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3 extended period will result in an increase in revenues for the worthy  
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SENATE LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY AND VETERANS'  
AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**SENATE, No. 143**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: FEBRUARY 6, 2006

Currently, the period of restricted sale for poppies is between May 1st and Memorial Day of each year. During this period, poppies may only be sold by veterans' organizations chartered by Congress and their auxiliaries. The proceeds from this period of restricted sale are devoted exclusively to the benefit of veterans of the World Wars and other military conflicts, their families, and to the veterans organizations in the State. This bill extends the period of restricted sale, allowing poppies to be sold exclusively by veterans' organizations to benefit veterans year-round. This extended period will result in an increase in revenues for the worthy causes funded by the sale of poppies.

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This bill was pre-filed for introduction in the 2006-2007 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review, which has been performed.

**ASSEMBLY, No. 641**

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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**212th LEGISLATURE**

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PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2006 SESSION

**Sponsored by:**

**Assemblyman BRIAN E. RUMPF**

**District 9 (Atlantic, Burlington and Ocean)**

**Assemblyman CHRISTOPHER J. CONNORS**

**District 9 (Atlantic, Burlington and Ocean)**

**Assemblyman JACK CONNERS**

**District 7 (Burlington and Camden)**

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**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 2/7/2006)**



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ASSEMBLY MILITARY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS  
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**ASSEMBLY, No. 641**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: MARCH 9, 2006

The Assembly Military and Veterans' Affairs Committee reports favorably Assembly, No. 641.

Current law designates the poppy, or its replica in any material form, as the recognized souvenir of the deceased veterans of the World Wars and military conflicts involving the United States Armed Forces, as well as the deceased members of the Merchant Marines who served during World War II.

Poppies may be sold between May 1st and Memorial Day of each year by veterans' organizations chartered by Congress and their auxiliaries. The proceeds from this period of restricted sale are devoted exclusively to the benefit of veterans of the World Wars and other military conflicts, their families, and to veterans' organizations in the State. This bill removes the restriction on the sale, allowing poppies to be sold exclusively by veterans' organizations to benefit veterans year-round.

This bill was pre-filed for introduction in the 2006-2007 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review, which has been performed.

As reported, this bill is identical to Senate, No. 143 of 2006.